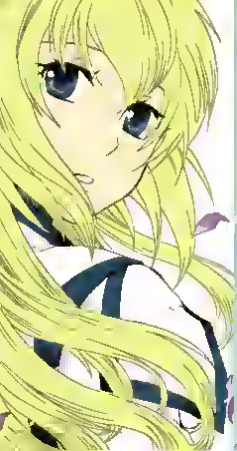

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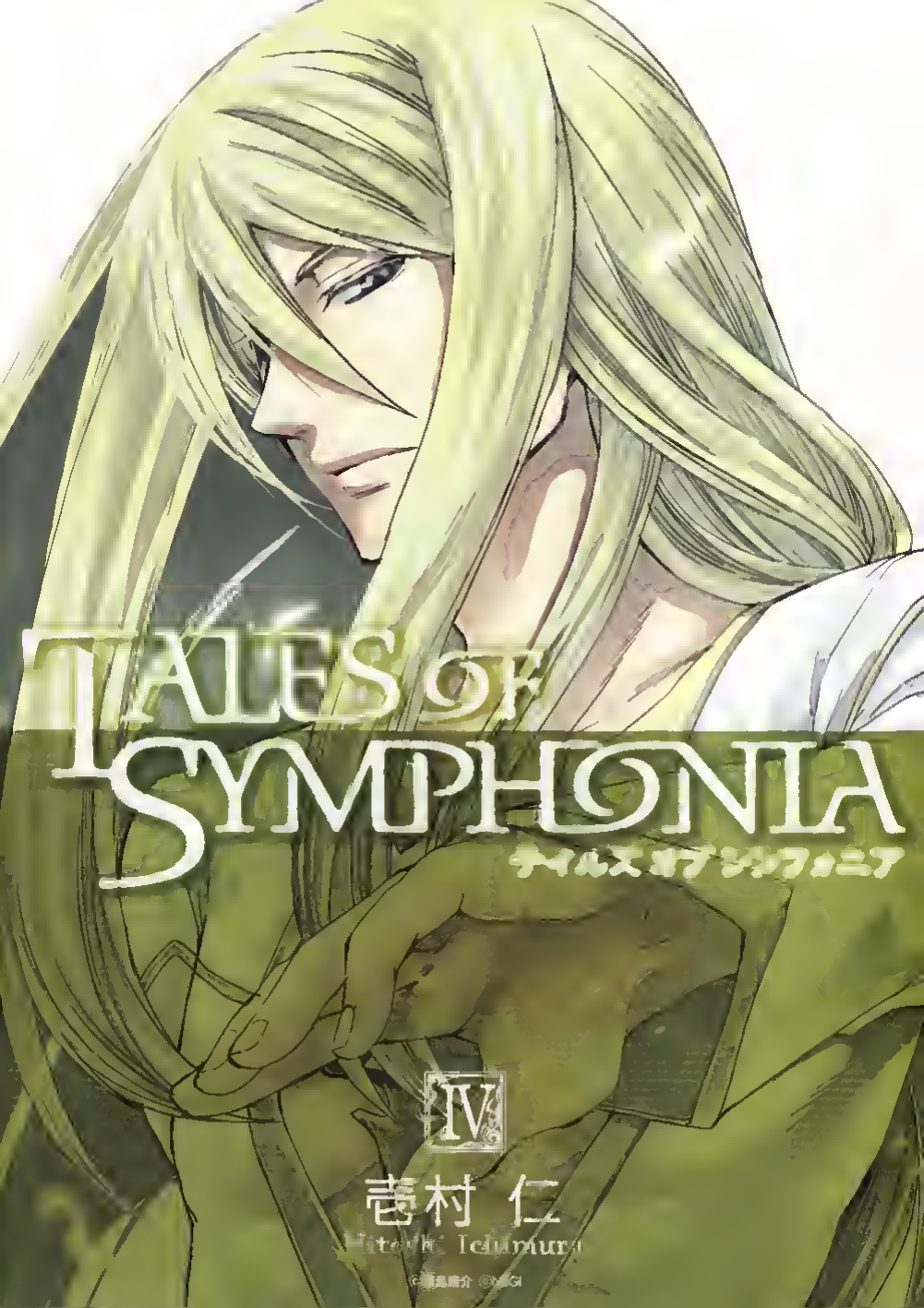
Thank you so much for waiting patiently!

Notes

Thousand-Year Rule/Reign: The Age of Lifeless beings, perhaps?
Magical Derivative: The "injection" Zelos said he had...but what really is the magical stone "Aionis" which leads me to...
Aionis: "Ionitos" (イオニトス) in Japanese, probably? That was my assumption, anyways...
Page 40 – "friend": The word used was "nakama" (仲間), meaning a comrade/friend...I chose "friend", because it gave the line more of the feel I was looking for.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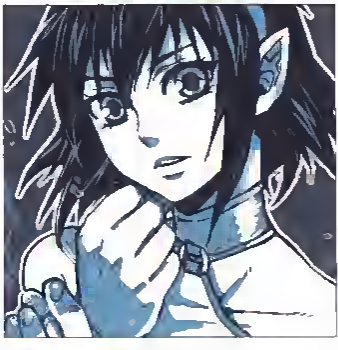

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The above summon spirit, Celsius, is my favorite because I regrettably didn't have a chance to draw her during the work. For other characters, I, too, did weep when I removed them because...of things like Botta. Things like Botta...

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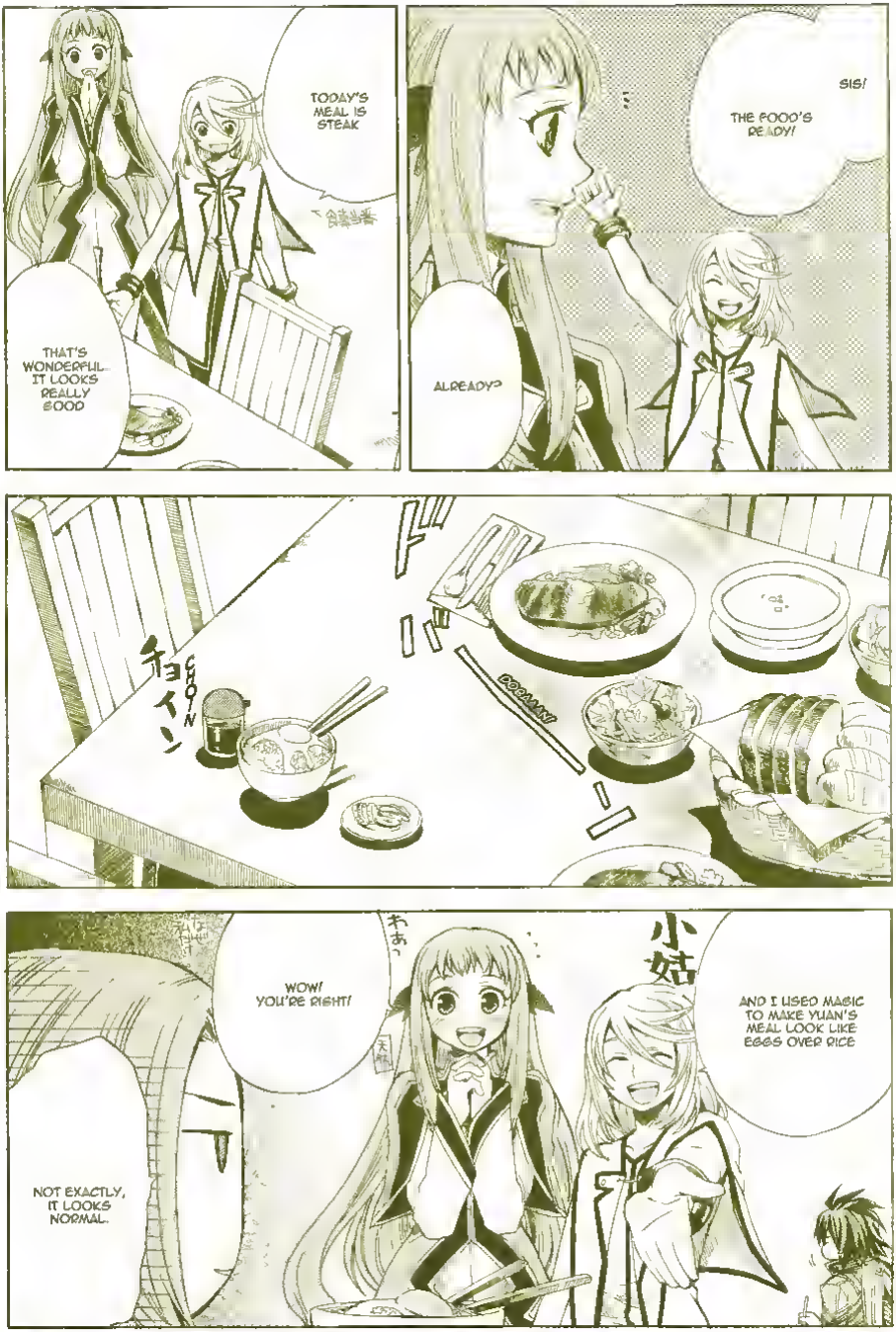

真相： *ONLY YUAN'S WAS MADE WITHOUT IT*

Ozette
SIR
HAVE LLOYD AND HIS GROUP COME HERE
BUT
IT'S FINE
WHATEVER HAPPENS I WON'T GET UPSET
FOR NOW, I'LL TAKE THIS FORM
WELL, THEN
ROCK THROW
DASH
YOU SAID YOU WOULDN'T GET UPSET——
THAT HURT!

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My name is Vetus,
Factmaker Sheena...
I will
lend you my power.

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...RRINE
CO...
SFX: BASH!
COOPERINE?
Sheena
It looks like Volt has lost touch with humans.
SFX: BAP!
He no longer has any faith in them.

you should be able to try forming a pact again
IF we seal his power,
Now, Shizuka!
RIGHT!

SUMMON SPIRIT-
VOLT!
LEND ME YOUR POWER!!
SFX: GOA-
CORRINE!

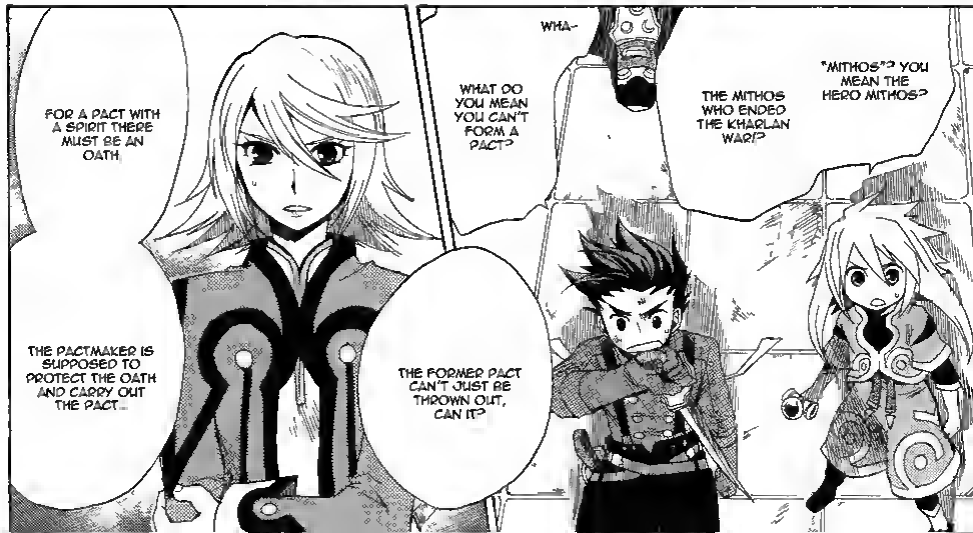
SFX: GISHI
THE SPARKS DISAPPEARED!
SEAL!

HE'S IMMOBI-LIZED!
LLOYD!

ビッ
ヒュ
キィ
IS IT OVER!?
DAMN,
NOT AGAIN!
.....No
.....
AAHH!

WHA...?
"—However, I am bound by a pact with Mithos"
"Because of this, I cannot form a pact with you."

Volt says, "The trial is over."


FOR A PACT WITH A SPIRIT THERE MUST BE AN OATH.
THE PACTMAKER IS SUPPOSED TO PROTECT THE OATH AND CARRY OUT THE PACT...
WHA-
WHAT DO YOU MEAN YOU CAN'T FORM A PACT?
THE FORMER PACT CAN'T JUST BE THROWN OUT, CAN IT?
THE MITHOS WHO ENDED THE KHARLAN WAR!?
"MITHOS"? YOU MEAN THE HERO MITHOS?

ALRIGHT
WILL THAT SIMPLE REASONING REALLY WORK?
IF THIS DOESN'T SOLVE IT, NOTHING WILL
THE FORMER PACT-MAKER SOMEHOW BROKE THE OATH,
AND IF THIS IS THE HERO, MITHOS, HE'S BEEN GONE FOR AGES. THUS THE PACT SHOULD HAVE BECOME VOID BY NOW
AH
THANK GOOO-NESS
The pact has corroded.
.....
Mithos did not keep the oath.
.....
VOLT!
I ASK THAT THOU ANNULST THY PACT WITH MITHOS
AND ESTABLISH A NEW PACT WITH ME!

"State your oath."
...RIGHT NOW I HOPE TO GIVE STRENGTH TO THOSE WHO NEED IT
FOR THOSE WHO RISKED THEIR LIVES TO PROTECT ME,
AND FOR CORRINE,
I WISH TO SAVE THE TWO WORLDS!

"I leave my power
.....
"You have made your path
in your care."
CORRINE?
The mana...
This is...
A RING...?
THAT'S A NICE RING

Now the mana that is supposed to be flowing to Sylvarant
Has started flowing into Tethe'alla??
WHAT THE...?!
GO
AAHH!
VIH
What is the meaning of this?
AN EARTH-QUAKE!?
.....

...Mana flowe from the sleeping spirit's world into the awakened spirit's world.
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
"THE TWO OPPOSING MANA TIES HAVE COLLAPSED, AND NOW MANA IS POURING INTO TETHE'ALLA." —IS WHAT YOU'RE TELLING US?
"THE WORLDS' EQUILIBRIUM TIES HAVE COLLAPSED."
WHO KNEW THERE WAS SUCH A PURPOSE TO THOSE SEALS?
THE LINK OF VOLT'S PACT IS WHAT CAUSED THE BALANCE TO FALL APART.
This is what you call the spirits' link.
The two worlds fighting over one mana flow
You released the seals in Sylvarant so the mana originally flowing into Tethe'alla,
where the spirits were awake, began flowing into Sylvarant

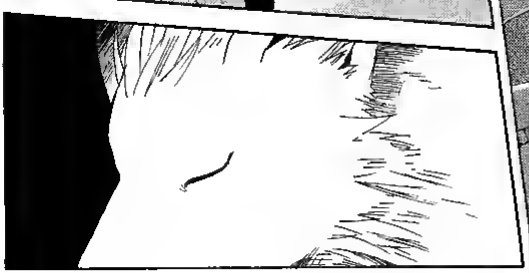
WHAT WOULD HAPPEN TO THE MANA IF WE MADE PACTS WITH THE SPIRITS OF BOTH WORLDS?
!
"Since the world was split, this is the first pact to happen like this"
"Undine's and My mana has begun to flow back into Tethe'alla"
WELL.
WHAT DO YOU THINK, CORRINE?
IF the links are broken, eventually the two worlds should come back together.
SO YOU'RE SAYING THE MANA TUG-OF-WAR WILL END?
SOUNDS PRETTY GOOD.
"In the event the spirits of both worlds are awakened,
it is likely that the links will be destroyed"

IF WE AWAKEN ALL THE SPIRITS, WE CAN SAVE SYLVARANT AND TETHE ALLA WON'T DECLINE ANYMORE!?
"Possibly"
THE WORLDS WILL PROBABLY RETURN TO HOW THEY WERE
SO IF WE AWAKEN THEIR COUNTER-PARTS HERE,
IN SYLVARANT THERE ARE FOUR SPIRITS,
NOT INCLUDING THE ONE WE DIDN'T FIND.
WELL,
IT LOOKS LIKE THIS IS THE BEST OPTION.
THANKS TO SHEENA AND CORRINE.
WHAT!?
IN THE MEANTIME CRUXIS WILL BE BUSY CONTROLLING EVERYONE!
THEN LET'S GO MAKE PACTS WITH ALL THE SPIRITS!

N...NO, I DIDN'T-
WASN'T IT YOU GUYS WHO DID THE FIGHTING?
WE'RE VERY GRATEFUL.
THANK YOU

YEAH, I GUESS.
THANKS TO YOU TWO RISKING YOUR LIVES TO MAKE A PACT WITH VOLT, WE WERE ABLE TO FIND OUT ABOUT IT

CORRINE WAS HERE FOR ME



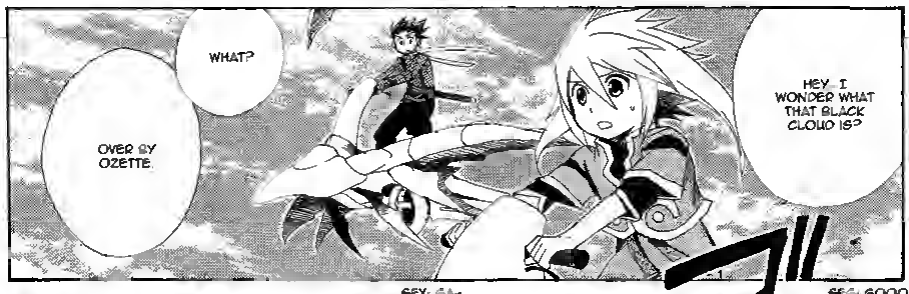
BESIDES

YOU KNOW, I REALLY THOUGHT YOU'D DIED
That's right, Sheena
Corrine died
I was born from that life force
Your strong feelings for Corrine mediated for me
I am the spirit of the heart, Vertus,
not Corrine
BUT

Sheena
It'll be all right,
UP UNTIL NOW, WE'VE ALWAYS BEEN TOGETHER.. AND FROM NOW ON TOO, RIGHT?
FROM NOW ON, WE CAN BE TOGETHER, RIGHT?
You've had great victories in the past
and you now carry a strong heart,
..isn't you?
I can't go with you, but Corinne will be with you because you'll never forget her

It's because I'm a spirit of the heart
SFX: RIN
THANK YOU,
CORRINE
SFX: GO-
フィオ

RIGHT, PROFESSOR?
PROFESSOR?
OH, YEAH, WE SHOULD
.....
I'M A LITTLE WORRIED
SHOULD WE CHECK ON ALTESSA BEFORE MOVING ON?
GETTING THERE WAS TOUGH, BUT THE RETURN TRIP IS BLISS


WHAT?
OVER BY OZETTE
HEY, I WONDER WHAT THAT BLACK CLOUD IS?
SFX: GA-
SFX: GOOOOO

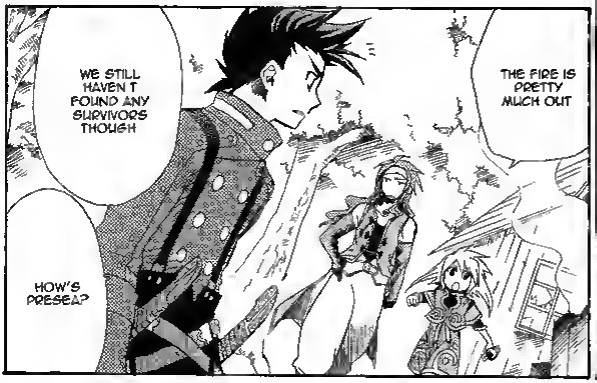
!!
LOOK, OVER THERE.
I FEEL A LARGE AMOUNT OF MANA COMING FROM THERE

.....AH!
A LIGHTNING STRIKE?!
OZETTE IS...!
I HAVE A BAD FEELING ABOUT THIS...

SFX: DO

THIS IS TERRIBLE
ONE LIGHTNING STRIKE WAS ABLE TO DO THIS?

LET'S CHECK IT OUT!


WE STILL HAVEN T FOUND ANY SURVIVORS THOUGH
THE FIRE IS PRETTY MUCH OUT
HOW'S PRESEA?

The rocks are crumbling!
LLOYD!

SHE SAID SHE WAS GOING BACK TO HER HOUSE
I SEE WE'D BETTER GO TOO

THERE'S A PERSON UNDER THE WRECKAGE!
COME QUICK!
PRESEA, WHAT'S WRONG?
!
...UGH...
ARE YOU ALRIGHT!?
HEY!
GARA

I GOT IT!
SFX: PO-
YOU'RE HURT!
PROFE-SSOR!

.....
WHO ARE YOU...
ARE YOU REALLY ALRIGHT?
WHAT ON EARTH HAP-PENED?
!

I...
DON'T KNOW
ALL OF A SUDDEN AN ANGEL APPEARED,
AND THEN THERE WAS A LIGHTNING STRIKE
AN ANGEL!?
...THERE WERE WINGS...
YEAH...
DAMN.
ANGELS ARE THE ONES WITH WINGS, RIGHT?
IT MUST'VE BEEN CRUXIS...!
HORRIBLE
TO DO SUCH A THING

STILL, NOTHING TOO BAD, HUH?
ARE YOU THE ONLY ONE LEFT?
THE OTHERS?
NEN...
.....
BECAUSE I LIVE IN THE OUT-SKIRTS, I WAS HIDING THE WHOLE TIME.
AFTER THE ANGELS LEFT, I FLED HERE.
SOON AFTER, THE LIGHTNING STRUCK,
AND I WAS BURIED
BUT YOUR INJURIES ARE FINE NOW, RIGHT?
OH, YES.
THANK YOU

HUH?
ARE YOU
A HALF-ELF?
!!
NO-
I..
N...
CALM DOWN!

WE HAVE THE SAME BLOOD
YOU CAN TELL, CAN'T YOU?
ARE-
HALF-ELVES TOO!?
YOU GUYS-

IT'S ALRIGHT,
BECAUSE THOSE TWO ARE OUR FRIENDS.
BUT...!
YOU'RE WITH HUMANS...
THAT'S RIGHT
BUT
MY SISTER AND I ARE THESE PEOPLE'S FRIENDS
WE'RE NOT KIDDING
A HUMAN AND A HALF-ELF, FRIENDS?
YOU'RE KIDDING, RIGHT?
PROFESSOR,
IS THIS REALLY OKAY?
WE COULDN'T HAVE HIDDEN IT FOR LONG
STILL, I'VE HEARD THIS VILLAGE WAS HARSH WITH HALF-ELVES.
I DON'T KNOW WHY YOU WOULD HIDE HERE,
BUT I M SURE THERE'S A REASON
.....

THOS
WHAT?
I'M A HALF-ELF
LIKE
THAT DOESN'T MATTER!
SAID
AH-
EX M
HEY, WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
YOU'LL COME TOO, WON'T YOU?
BUT
IN THE MEAN-TIME, LET'S GET GOING
IT'D BE BAD IF ANOTHER ANGEL SHOWED UP
IT'S MITHOS.

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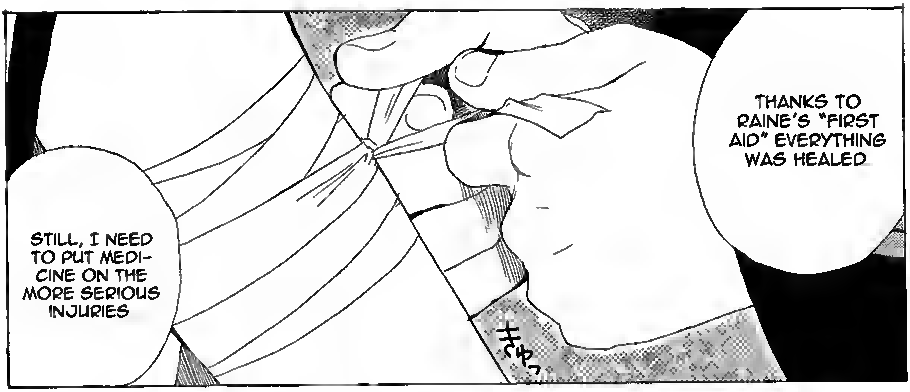
THANKS TO RAINE'S "FIRST AID" EVERYTHING WAS HEALED
STILL, I NEED TO PUT MEDICINE ON THE MORE SERIOUS INJURIES
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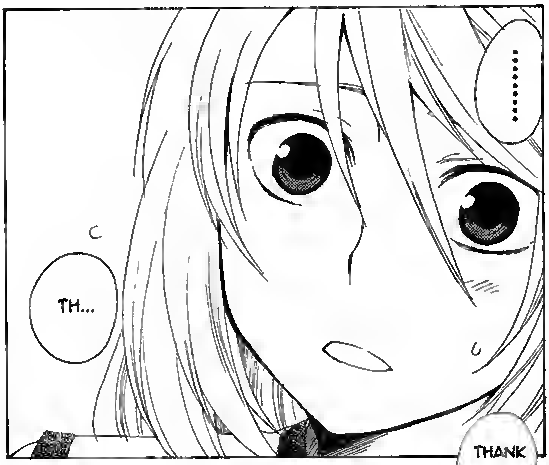
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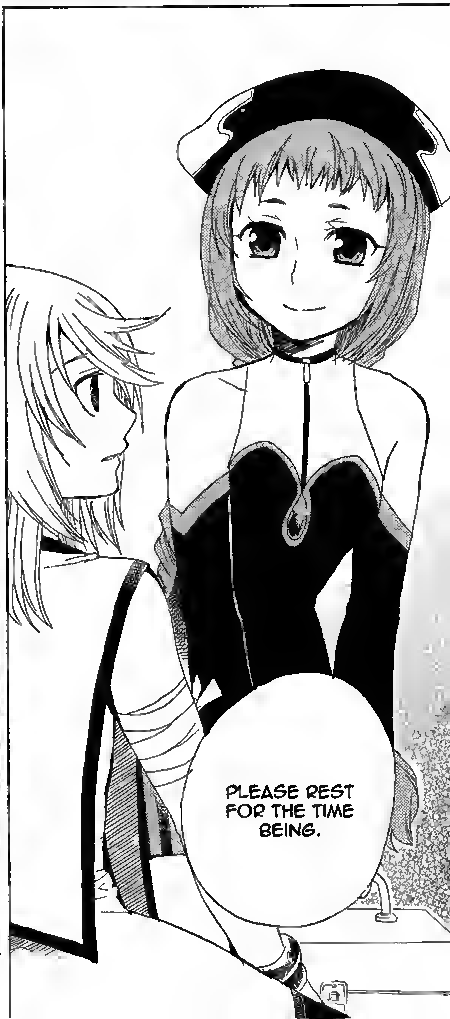
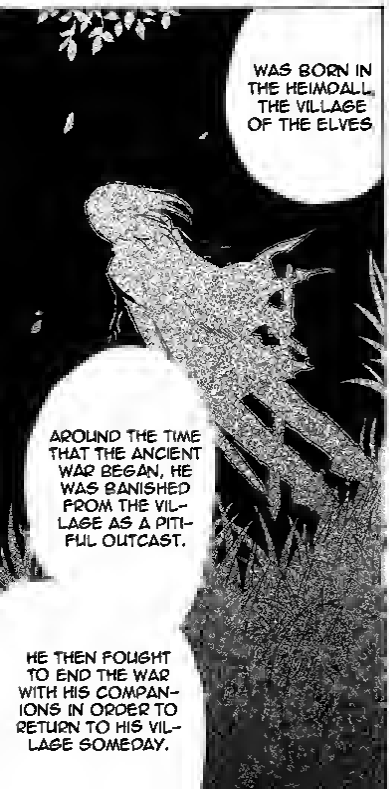

PLEASE REST FOR THE TIME BEING.

THANK
YOU...
THANK GOODNESS THERE WAS NOTHING SERIOUS.
YEAH... BUT...

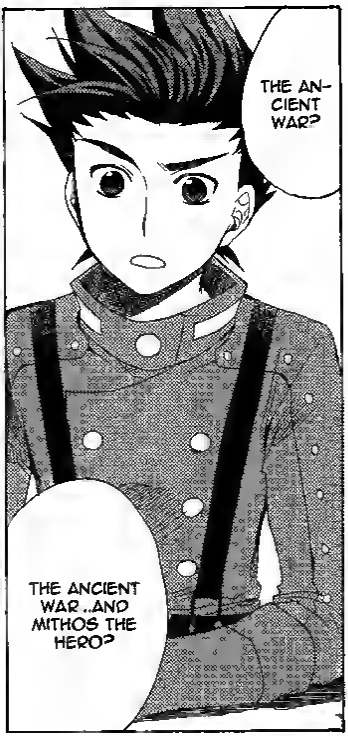
THAT'S PROBABLY MY FAULT.
WHY OZETTE..?
CRUXIS CAN'T BE FORGIVEN..
ALTESSA...
I'VE MENTIONED I WAS INVOLVED WITH CRUXIS A LONG TIME AGO, RIGHT?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

THAT WAS RETRIBUTION MEANT FOR ME.
HAVING FLED CRUXIS,
I SOON FOUND MYSELF HIDING IN OZETTE.
DESPITE THAT, YOU COOPERATED IN CRUXIS' EXPERIMENT, AND I HELPED....
LORD YGGDRASILL PROBABLY FOUND OUT.
VERY WELL..
CAN YOU TELL US..
EVERYTHING YOU KNOW ABOUT CRUXIS?
HEY, ALTESSA

LORD YGGDRASILL SPLIT THE WORLD IN TWO—
AND ESTABLISHED THE ORGANIZATION CALLED CRUXIS...
BUT FIRST, WE SHOULD TALK ABOUT THE ANCIENT WAR.


WAS BORN IN THE HEIMDALL, THE VILLAGE OF THE ELVES
AROUND THE TIME THAT THE ANCIENT WAR BEGAN, HE WAS BANISHED FROM THE VILLAGE AS A PITIFUL OUTCAST.
HE THEN FOUGHT TO END THE WAR WITH HIS COMPANIONS IN ORDER TO RETURN TO HIS VILLAGE SOMEDAY.

EXACTLY
THE HERO OF THE ANCIENT WAR, MITHOS—


THE ANCIENT WAR?
THE ANCIENT WAR..AND MITHOS THE HERO?

..WHY WAS MITHOS CONSIDERED AN OUTCAST?
..THAT'S BECAUSE HE WAS A HALF-ELF.

THE HERO MITHOS...
WAS A HALF-ELF?!

BUT IN THEIR HOMETOWN, THEIR NAMES ARE STILL TABOO.
...IS IT BECAUSE THEY WERE HALF-ELVES?

...SO WERE MITHOS' COMPANIONS,
EXCEPT FOR ONE HUMAN.
WHILE THEY WERE CONSIDERED OUTCASTS, THEY WERE ABLE TO END THE WAR.

...THAT'S INCORRECT.
MITHOS THE HERO, LOVED BY ORIGIN...
...BECAME A FALLEN HERO.

FALLEN..?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
THE ONES WHO BETRAYED ORIGIN AND USED THE POWER OF THE MAGIC SWORD GIVEN TO THEM BY ORIGIN...
WERE NONE OTHER THAN MITHOS AND HIS COMPANIONS, WHO SPLIT THE WORLD IN HALF.
THEY WERE MITHOS AND HIS SISTER, MARTEL...
THEN THERE WAS YUAN AND KRATOS...

HOLD ON...
YGGDRASILL OF CRUXIS...
IS MITHOS THE HERO?
CORRECT.
WHA
.....
KRATOS...IS THE FRIEND OF A HERO FROM 4000 YEARS AGO?
EVEN AN ELF CANNOT LIVE THAT LONG .
AND HIS COMPANIONS WERE MARTEL, YUAN, AND...
...KRATOS
...THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE!

...WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
I DON'T GET ANY OF IT.
BECAUSE OF THAT, ANGELS CAN EVEN OUTLIVE ELVES WHILE HARDLY AGING.
WHEN A PERSON USES HIS INTERNAL MANA ON HIS BODY, THE BODY'S METABOLISM IS ALTERED, AND IN ABOUT ONE HOUR THE BIOLOGICAL CLOCK IS BASICALLY STOPPED...
ANGELS DEVELOPED SPECIAL COMBAT ABILITIES DURING THE KHARLAN WAR.
?
HE SAID THAT THE WORLD SPLIT DUE TO ORIGIN'S POWER.
OUR FINAL GOAL IS SUPPOSED TO BE REUNITING THE WORLDS.
YEAH, NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT...
"MAGIC SWORD"
THAT'S THE KEY-WORD HERE.
...EXACTLY. WE MUST NOT LOSE SIGHT OF THE TRUE PROBLEM.
OH REALLY?
WASN'T SOMETHING OBVIOUS?

HEY, MITHOS.
YOU HAVE THE SAME NAME AS MITHOS THE HERO, HUH?
IT'S NOT RARE FOR BOYS TO HAVE THE NAME "MITHOS".
IT'S SO THAT EVERYONE CAN SHARE THE GOOD FORTUNE THAT ACCOMPANIES HIS NAME.
..I GUESS.
MY PAR-ENTS..
GAVE ME THIS NAME IN HOPES OF ME BECOMING STRONG LIKE THE MITHOS.
BUT NOT BECAUSE HE WAS A HALF-ELF..
..HEY, GENIS..
WHY ARE YOU AND RAINE WITH HUMANS?
..YEAH.

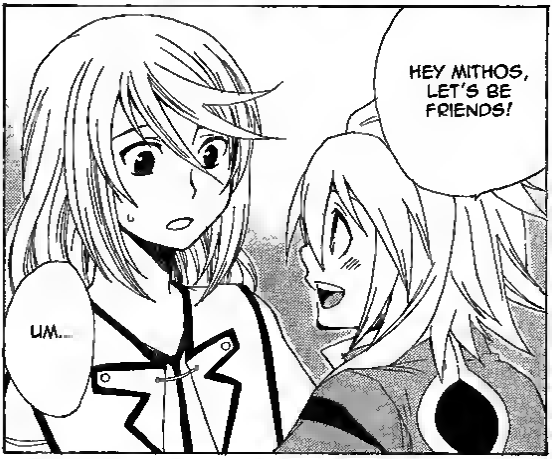
I..HATE HUMANS.
HUMANS PERSECUTE HALF-ELVES.
YOU CAN'T REALLY SAY YOU'RE WITH HUMANS, CAN YOU...?
THOS...
MI...
I... HATE HUMANS TOO.
...GENIS.
IN SYLVARANT, WE WERE ALWAYS DIS-CRIMINATED AGAINST...
BUT THERE ARE HUMANS LIKE LLOYD TOO!
THEY'RE NOT ALL BAD.

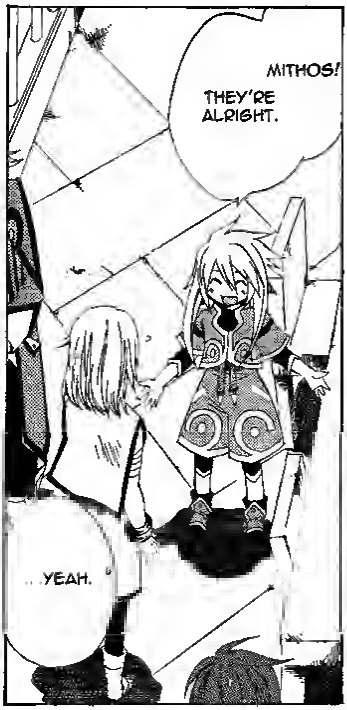
WHAT ABOUT THE OTHERS...?
IT'S ALRIGHT.
WE'RE NOT THOSE KINDS OF PEOPLE.
YEAH!!
BECAUSE LLOYD AND COLETTE ARE MY FRIENDS!
THEY AREN'T MEAN OR ANYTHING
RIGHT.
ESPECIALLY AS A HALF-ELF, THAT KIND OF HONESTY ISN'T EXACTLY APPRECIATED.
IT'S BEEN TAUGHT FOR A LONG TIME ...
BUT STILL...
IT CAN'T BE HELPED, RIGHT?
HALF-ELF DISCRIMI-NATION IS DEEPLY ROOTED.
..ZELOS!

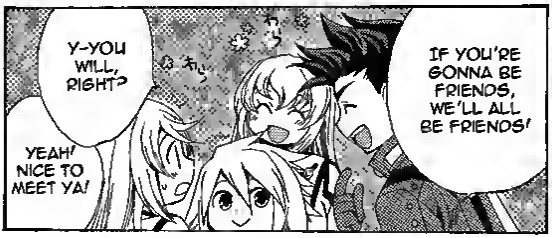
IT'S AN UNDESIRED LIFE.
IT SEEMS I SEE THINGS THE SAME WAY.
WELL, I'M NOT SAYING IT'S LIKE I DON'T WANT THEM WITH US, SO RELAX.
.....?
WHY?
I WAS ALSO AN OUTCAST.
YOU COULD SAY WE'RE SOMEWHAT SIMILAR..
THAT'S RIGHT.
WEREN'T YOU TWO ARE OUR FRIENDS BEFORE WE KNEW YOU WERE HALF-ELVES?

YEAH..
THANKS.
THAT'S GOOD ENOUGH.

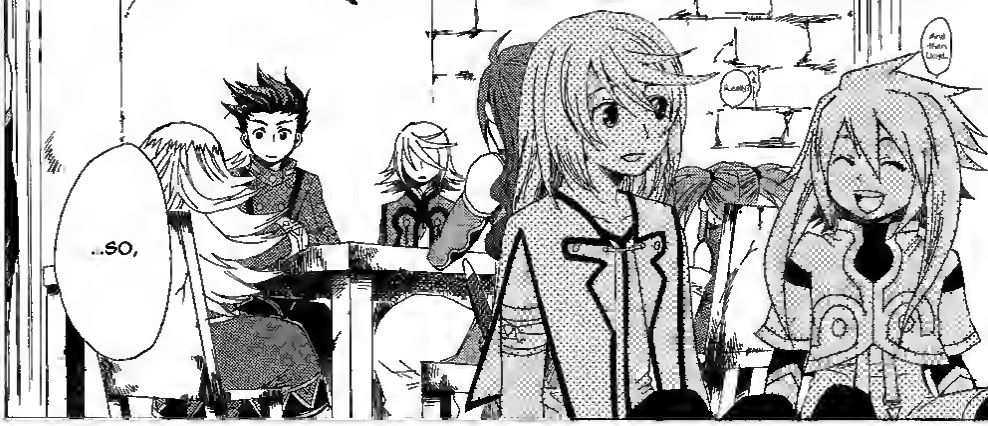
WELL,
THERE YOU HAVE IT, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.. HALF-ELVES.
STILL, IT'S NOT LIKE PREJUDICE DOESN'T EXIST.


HEY MITHOS, LET'S BE FRIENDS!
UM...


MITHOS!
THEY'RE ALRIGHT.
..YEAH.


Y-YOU WILL, RIGHT?
IF YOU'RE GONNA BE FRIENDS, WE'LL ALL BE FRIENDS!
YEAH! NICE TO MEET YA!

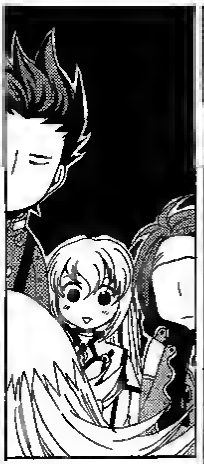
I'VE NEVER HAD A HALF-ELF FRIEND BEFORE,
SO I'M REALLY HAPPY!
FRIEND...
REALLY?
OF COURSE!
WELL... WE'LL MEET AGAIN.
IT'S A PROMISE!
...YEAH!
AND WE'LL HAVE A LOT TO TALK ABOUT!
ALTESSA SAID IT'D BE FINE FOR YOU TO STAY HERE,
SO...
YEP, WE'LL BE BACK!


...SO,
And then Lloyd...
CLANG!

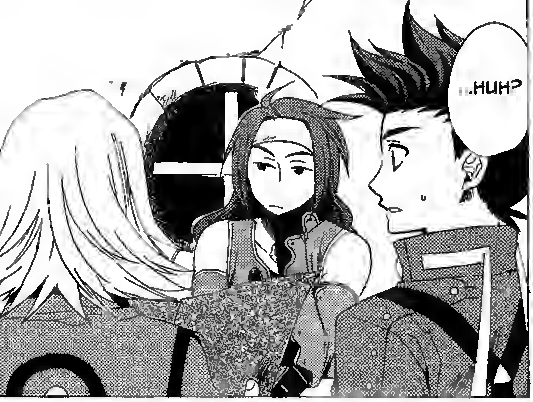
IS THAT SO..?
THEN...
THAT'S WHY WE NEED THE RHEAIROS PREPARED...
AND IF WE MAKE PACTS WITH ALL OF THE SPIRITS, THEN MAYBE THE WORLD WILL RETURN TO HOW IT WAS.

WHAT DO YOU ALL PLAN ON DOING NOW?
I THINK WE'RE GOING TO GO MAKE PACTS WITH THE SUMMON SPIRITS OF BOTH WORLDS.

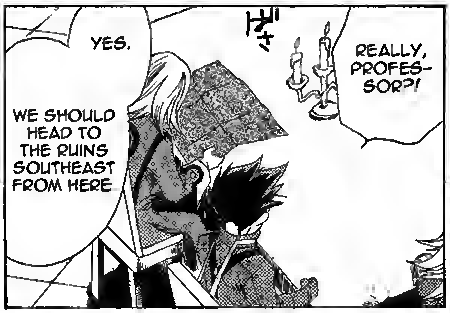
YOU HAVEN'T EVEN THOUGHT ABOUT IT...
THAT'S RIGHT-!!
WHITE NOW
CRIMSON



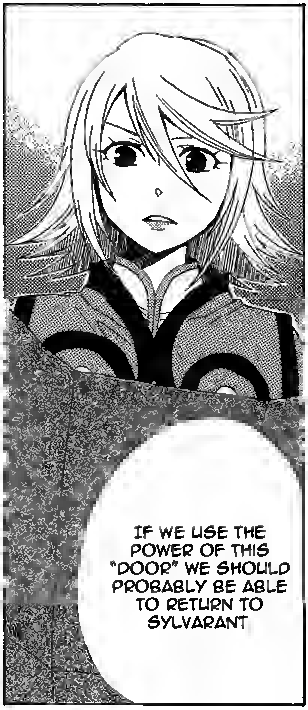
HOW DO YOU PLAN TO RETURN TO SYLVARANT?

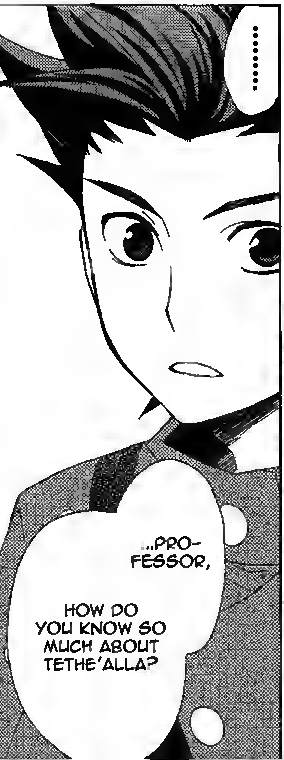

..HUH?

..IN THAT CASE I HAVE AN IDEA.


REALLY, PROFES-SOR?!
YES.
WE SHOULD HEAD TO THE RUINS SOUTHEAST FROM HERE

RUINS?
YES..THE RUINS ARE SAID TO BE A DOOR OF SORTS.


IF WE USE THE POWER OF THIS "DOOR" WE SHOULD PROBABLY BE ABLE TO RETURN TO SYLVARANT


.....
..PRO-FESSOR,
HOW DO YOU KNOW SO MUCH ABOUT TETHE'ALLA?

...I'VE REMEMBERED...
BY RETURNING TO TETHE'ALLA,
IT GRADUALLY CAME BACK.
MOM
THE PLACE I'VE BEEN SEARCHING FOR..
MOM!!
DON'T LEAVE US!
MOM!
WAIT!

THIS IS WHERE WE WERE ABAN-DONED——
I'VE CONFIRMED THE THEORY
THAT THE TWO WORLDS' POLES ARE CONNECTED
GOOD-BYE...
RAINE, GENIS...
...WHILE FLYING, I HEARD THUNDER..
AND THIS PLACE CAME TO MIND, IT'S BEEN BOTH-ERING ME EVER SINCE..

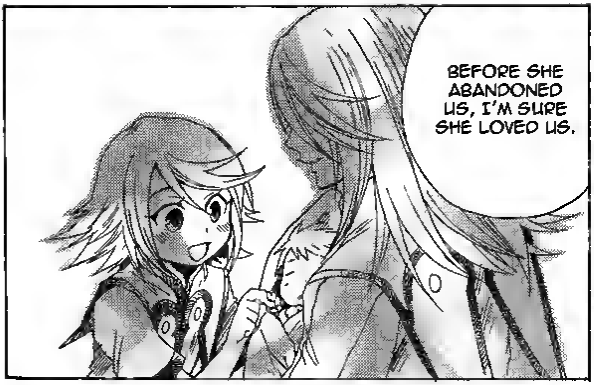
THE PLACE I'VE BEEN SEARCHING FOR IS HERE...
YOU WERE BORN IN SYLVARANT, WEREN'T YOU?
...WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
THESE ARE THE RUINS...
YOU'RE KIDDING...
NO...
I CAN'T REMEMBER ANYTHING OTHER THAN ISELIA!

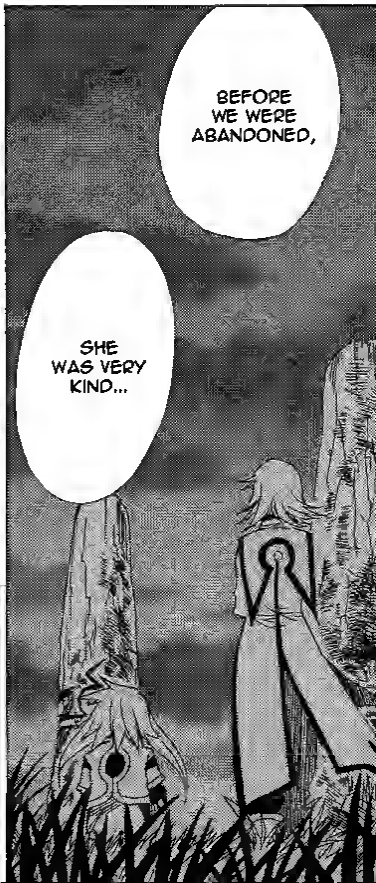
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
THAT YOU TWO WERE BORN IN TETHE'ALLA?
...WE WERE BORN AND RAISED IN HEIMDALL, THE VILLAGE OF THE ELVES.
THEN WE WERE BANISHED...
THIS IS THE LEGENDARY GATEWAY LEADING TO SYLVARANT THAT I'VE BEEN TOLD OF.
HEIM-DALL... THE SAME VILLAGE AS MITHOS...?
...YES. THOUGH I DON'T KNOW THE EXACT DETAILS...

AT LEAST I'M CERTAIN...
THAT IT WAS HERE WHERE I WAS ABANDONED WITH GENIS WHILE HE WAS STILL A NEWBORN...
GENIS, YOU WERE VERY SMALL.
...YOU PROBABLY DON'T REMEMBER.
BEFORE LONG, EVERYTHING HAPPENED... ISELIA...
...AND WE WERE SWEPT AWAY TO SYLVARANT.

TODAY IS THAT DAY.
THE DOOR APPEARS ON THE NIGHT OF THE FULL MOON
THAT'S...
..SO, LET'S WAIT FOR NIGHTFALL.
WHY... WERE WE ABANDONED BY MOM?
...WHAT'S THE MATTER, GENIS?
...SIS.

I DON'T KNOW.
WERE WE ABANDONED...
BECAUSE SHE HATED US...?


BEFORE SHE ABANDONED US, I'M SURE SHE LOVED US.

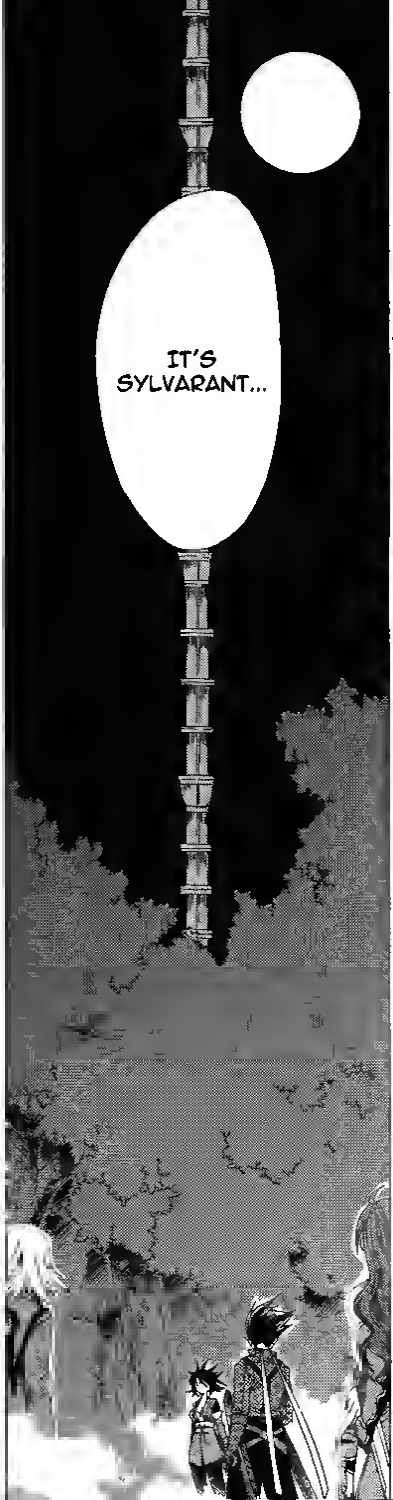

BEFORE WE WERE ABANDONED,
SHE WAS VERY KIND...

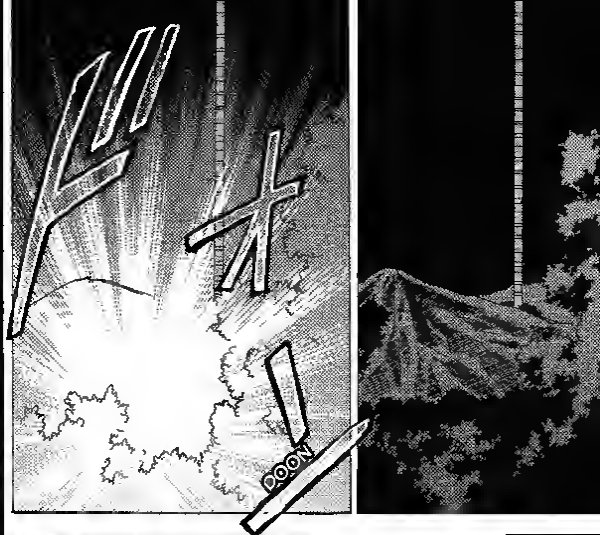
SIS...
GENIS.

BUT...
A LONG TIME AGO WE PASSED THROUGH THIS DOOR INTO SYLVARANT.
I WAS CONSUMED BY DESPAIR.
THIS TIME IT'S DIFFERENT.
I'M NOT GIVING UP ON EVERYTHING, I'M PASSING THROUGH WITH HOPE.
RELUNITING THE WORLDS...
WE'LL MAKE A BETTER PLACE FOR HALF-ELVES.
YEAH.
WITH LLOYD, COLETTE...
AND EVERYONE, IT'LL BE ALRIGHT.
YES

!!
EVEN IF I DON'T KNOW IF SHE'S STILL ALIVE.
RIGHT!
DEFINITELY...
AND THEN WE'LL SEARCH FOR MOTHER
KA
THE GATE'S OPENING!
...PRO-FESSOR!

GET OVER IT!
TRUST HER!
IS THIS REALLY ALRIGHT-?
JUST HURRY UP!!
EVERY-ONE!
JUMP INTO THE LIGHT!
LET'S GO!


IT'S SYLVARANT...


DOON

UGH...
IS EV-ERYONE ALRIGHT?

THIS MANA...
IT'S INCREA-SED, BUT THERE'S NO MISTAKING IT...
THIS IS...
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IT'S THE LOCATION OF THE FIRE SEAL, THE RUINS OF THE ANCIENT CITY OF TRIET.
.....
...THAT'S RIGHT, WE'VE FOUGHT HERE BEFORE TOO...
BUT THIS TIME, WE'RE HERE TO RELEASE THE SEAL...
IT'S THE SAME AS KTUGACH.
HE'S WEAK AGAINST ICE!
I'LL TAKE CARE OF IT!
LLOYD-

LOAD:17 True Form

AND NOW SPIRIT OF FIRE, EFREET.
WITH THIS, THAT'S ALL OF THE SPIRITS IN SYLVARANT TAKEN CARE OF...
AND WE WERE ABLE TO MAKE A PACT WITH VOLT IN TETHE'ALLA, SO...
THE SPIRIT OF WATER, UNDINE...
THE SPIRIT OF WIND, SYLPH...
THE SPIRITS OF LIGHT, LUNA AND ASKA...
I PROMISED MITHOS I SAID WE'D MEET AGAIN.
THAT'S RIGHT.
JUST THREE LEFT, RIGHT?
OH!
THE PROBLEM IS GETTING TO TETHE'ALLA...
WHEN WE GET TO TETHE'ALLA, I WANT TO GO TO ALTESSA'S HOUSE!
OH.. YOU'RE RIGHT.
It's getting late now~
IF YOU DON'T HEAL THAT RIGHT AWAY, IT'S GONNA BE PAINFUL LATER.
HEEEY, LLOYD.
YOU GOT PRETTY BEAT UP, HUH?
ALTESSA WOULD PROBABLY KNOW THE LOCATIONS OF THE REST OF THE SPIRITS, TOO.
FOR NOW, LET'S GET OUT OF H—

SORRY.
...MAGIC SWORDS-MAN.
WELL... THAT'S A MAGIC SWORDSMAN FOR YOU.
...SO, ZELOS, YOU CAN USE HEALING MAGIC TOO?
!
FIRST AID!
AS HIM...
IT'S THE SAME...
FINALLY! I CAN BREATHE FRESH AIR.
ABOUT RE-TURNING TO TETHE'ALLA...

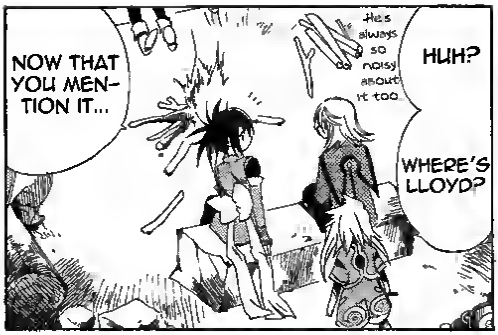
!?
AH-!
SFX: GOGOGOGOGO
WHAT'S GOING ON?!
AN EARTH-QUAKE...

SFX GOGOGO...
ANOTHER EARTH-QUAKE...
GARA
IT'S PRETTY BIG...
HM

SFX: ZUNN-
LOOK OUT!

SOMEHOW, THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF EARTHQUAKES LATELY.
I WONDER IF IT HAS ANYTHING TO DO WITH THE PACTS WE'VE MADE WITH THE SUMMONS SPIRITS...
IT STOPPED...
.....
ゴゴ
SFX: GOGO...
.....
THIS PLACE...
AH...
YEAH...
IS EVERYONE OKAY WITH THAT?
Whoah!
In this sandy place?
Get over it you stupid pansy!
LLOYD, LET'S CAMP HERE TONIGHT.
IT MIGHT BE BETTER TO REEVALUATE OUR CIRCUMSTANCES BEFORE GOING TO TETHE'ALLA

IT'S THE PLACE FROM BACK THEN...


NOW THAT YOU MEN-TION IT...
He's always so noisy about it too
HUH?
WHERE'S LLOYD?

THE CURRY RICE IS READY!

.....
...YEAH.
HE SHOULD HAVE RE-TURNED BY NOW...

IT'S IMPOSSIBLE THAT HE...
IT FEELS LIKE SUCH A LONG TIME AGO.
...AND WHEN KRATOS TAUGHT ME SOME SWORDSMANSHIP.
WAS WHEN COLETTE BEGAN HER ANGEL TRANSFORMATION AND GREW WINGS...
...THE LAST TIME I CAME HERE...
...THAT HE COULD HAVE BEEN THE HERO'S COMPANION—
...LLOYD.

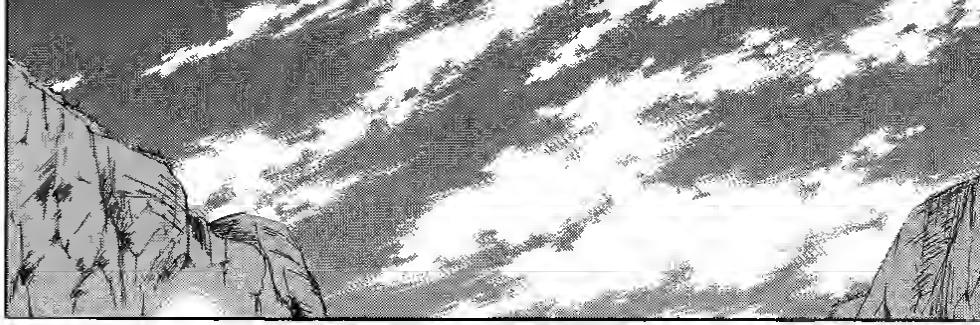
SFX: ZAZA-
.....
...KRATOS!

IT SEEMS YOU'RE MAKING PACTS WITH THE SPIRITS OF BOTH WORLDS...
WHAT DO YOU WANT?
WHY?!
...STOP MAKING PACTS.
AT THIS RATE, IF YOU CONTINUE MAKING PACTS WITH ALL THE SPIRITS, IT WON'T END WELL.
IT'S NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS.
...HMPH
YOU DEPSISE ME.
LIKE I'M GOING TO LISTEN YOU!!
...YOU'RE OUR ENEMY.

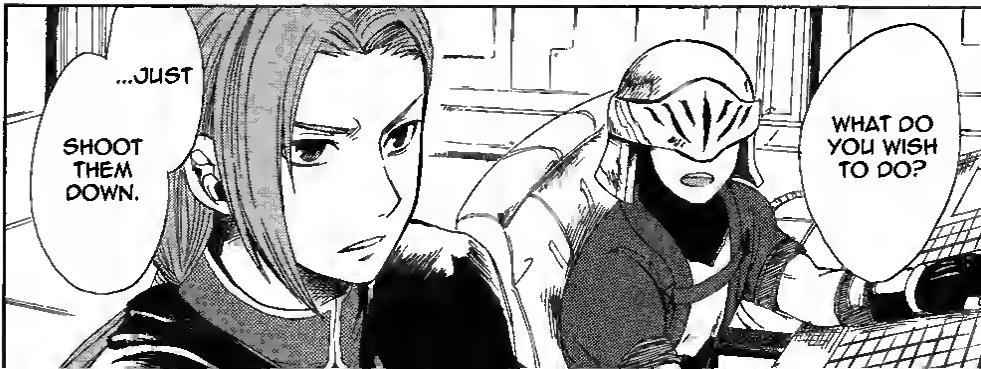
SO WHAT ARE YOU SAYING I SHOULD DO?!
THERE'S NO OTHER WAY...
SPLITTING THE WORLD HAD SOMETHING TO DO WITH ORIGIN'S POWER.
BECAUSE, EVEN IF YOU MAKE PACTS WITH ALL OF THE SPIRITS,
YOU STILL WON'T BE ABLE TO REUNITE THE TWO WORLDS.
!
"MAGIC SWORD"
"THAT'S THE KEY-WORD HERE."
ORIGIN AND...
AND THE MAGIC SWORD...?
...IT'S THE ETERNAL SWORD.

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?!
LLOYD
KRATOS!
WHA... HEY!
IF YOU WISH COMPLETE YOUR GOAL, SEEK THE ETERNAL SWORD
WHAT THE HELL...
THAT GUY...
LLOYD, YOU'RE LATE!
HEY!
You disappeared!

S-
SORRY.
WHERE DID YOU GO?!
EVERY-ONE'S DONE EATING.
WELL...
YOU KNOW.
WELL SQUIRT,
IT MEANS EVERYONE WANTS A LITTLE ALONE TIME.
...RIGHT, LLOYD?
THAT I MET KRATOS.
SORT OF...
...YEAH,
IT'S BETTER NOT TO MENTION...



LORD YUAN!!
MORE APPROACH-ING.
WE'VE DETECTED SEVERAL RHEAIRDS!


...JUST SHOOT THEM DOWN.
WHAT DO YOU WISH TO DO?

YOU'RE TELLING ME THAT YOU PLAN TO USE THE ENERGY RISING FROM THE BASE...
TO OPERATE THE DIMENSIONAL TRANSFER SYSTEM IN THE RHEAIRDS?
IS IT REALLY OKAY TO DO THIS?!
THERE'S NO OTHER WAY THAT I CAN THINK OF TO GET TO TETHE'ALLA.
IT CAN'T BE HELPED!

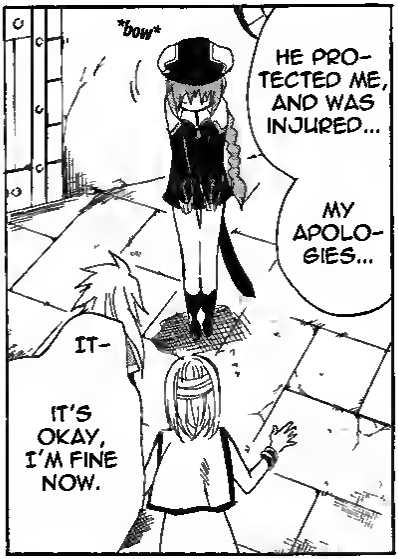
SFX: GOOO-

AN INTERESTING OPPORTUNITY...
LET THEM CONTINUE.
FOLLOW THEM, FIND OUT WHERE THEY'RE HEADED.
IT'S BETTER IF THEY DON'T SEE US, THOUGH!

...WHAT HAP-PENED?!
MITHOS, WHAT'S WITH THE BANDAGE?!

SAVED YOU?
BECAUSE OF THE PREVIOUS EARTHQUAKE, SOME ROCKS WERE SHAKEN LOOSE...
MITHOS SAVED ME.
IT COU... COULDN'T HAVE BEEN CRUXIS...
ARE YOU OKAY?!
OH...IT'S NOTHING.

I'M GLAD YOU'RE ALRIGHT.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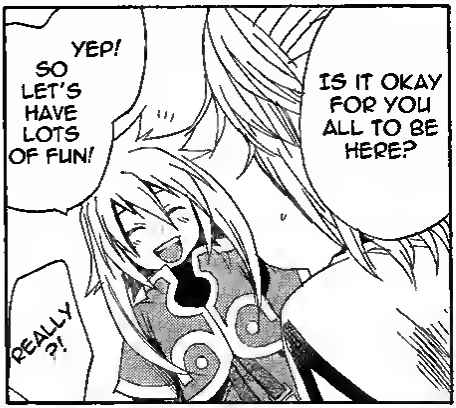
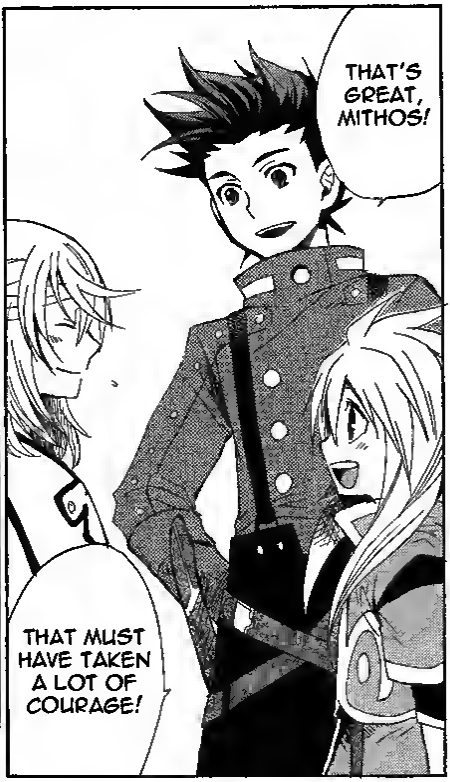
HE PROTECTED ME, AND WAS INJURED...
MY APOLOGIES...
IT-
IT'S OKAY, I'M FINE NOW.


YEP! SO LET'S HAVE LOTS OF FUN!
IS IT OKAY FOR YOU ALL TO BE HERE?
REALLY?

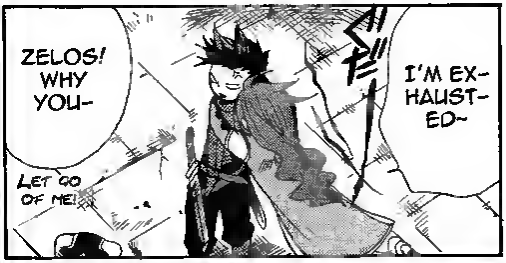

THAT'S GREAT, MITHOS!
THAT MUST HAVE TAKEN A LOT OF COURAGE!

SO EARTHQUAKES ARE OCCURRING IN BOTH WORLDS...
THIS CAN'T BE A COINCIDENCE.
...PROFESSOR?

IT STARTED WHILE AGO ON OUR JOURNEY TO MAKE PACTS WITH THE SPIRITS...
THIS PROBABLY HAS SOMETHING TO DO WITH BROKEN MANA LINKS.
THAT'S RIGHT...
SIMULTANEOUS EARTHQUAKES ARE TOO STRANGE.
IF YOU CONTINUE MAKING PACTS WITH ALL THE SPIRITS, IT WON'T END WELL.
...OF COURSE.
WHETHER THIS IS A GOOD SIGN OR A BAD SIGN, I CAN'T TELL...
KRATOS
.....
I GUESS I SHOULD TELL THEM...
BUT...
STILL, THEY DON'T HAVE TO KNOW KRATOS SAID IT,
CU-

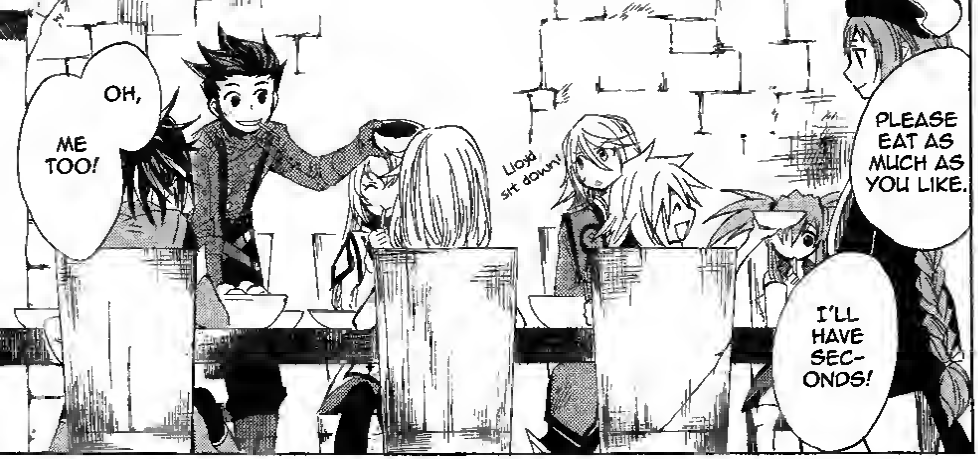
I STILL WON'T BELIEVE ANYTHING HE SAYS—
...COME TO THINK OF IT.
WHY DID HE SAY THAT...?
LET'S THINK ABOUT THIS TOMORROW.
FOR NOW, LET'S EAT SOME FOOD AND SLEEP!!
THAT IS ALL!!

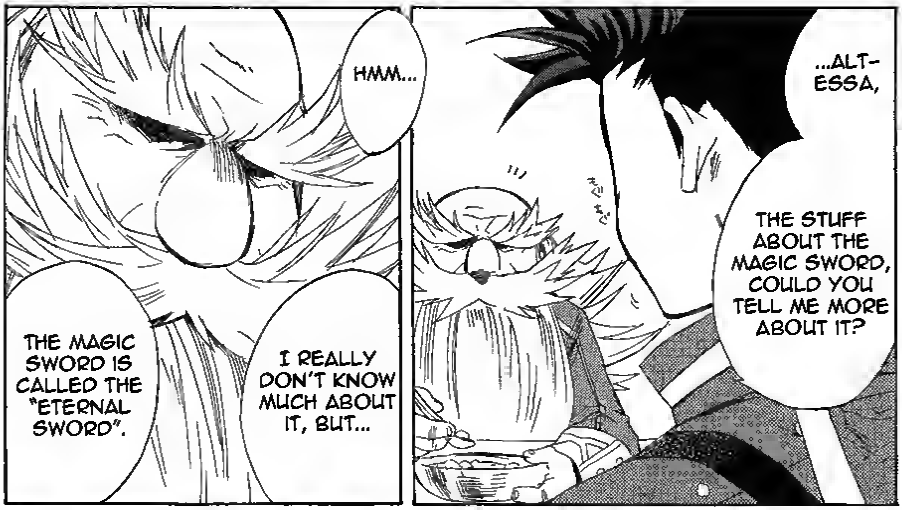
SFX:KUDA-



SFX: GOBU KIBU BASHI BASHI~

CAN YOU WATCH THE POT...
WHILE I GO PICK SOME SPICES?
POT, HUH...?
OH, STEW?
YUMMY!
THANK YOU.
RIGHT, RIGHT.
YOU'VE...
...GOT IT
WOW, IT'S DELICIOUS!


OH, ME TOO!
Lloyd sit down!
PLEASE EAT AS MUCH AS YOU LIKE.
I'LL HAVE SEC-ONDS!


HMM...
THE MAGIC SWORD IS CALLED THE "ETERNAL SWORD".
I REALLY DON'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT IT, BUT...
...ALT-ESSA,
THE STUFF ABOUT THE MAGIC SWORD, COULD YOU TELL ME MORE ABOUT IT?

!!
THAT'S RIGHT.
...THE ETERNAL SWORD CAN ONLY BE WIELDED BY A HALF-ELF.

THE ETERNAL SWORD ALSO HAS POSSES-SION CRITERIA, OR SO I'VE HEARD.
...CRI-TERIA?

THAT CAN'T BE...
THAT'S A PROBLEM...
GENIS AND I CAN'T WEILD SWORDS.
HOWEVER, I HEARD A RUMOR THAT THERE IS A WAY FOR OTHERS TO POSSESS IT, BUT...
SORRY, THAT'S ALL I KNOW.
...NO, THAT'S PLENTY, THANK YOU...
.....?
LLOYD?
What's wrong?
...HN... I'M FINE...
SOMEHOW, I'M FEELING REALLY SLEEPY ALL OF THE SUDDEN.
ARE YOU OKAY?

VM
FUWA
フラ
LLOYD!
FUWA
フラ
SORRY, I'M JUST... GOING TO GO TO BED...
IT'S NOT GOOD TO SLEEP RIGHT AFTER A MEAL.
ARE YOU TIRED...?
IT'S NO USE, SO SLEEPY...
FOR GOOD-NESS' SAKE!
SFX:GURA
SFX: GUNYA
...I NEED TO TAKE OFF MY SWORD..
...GOTTA GET MY SHOES AND JACKET OFF...
NO GOOD...
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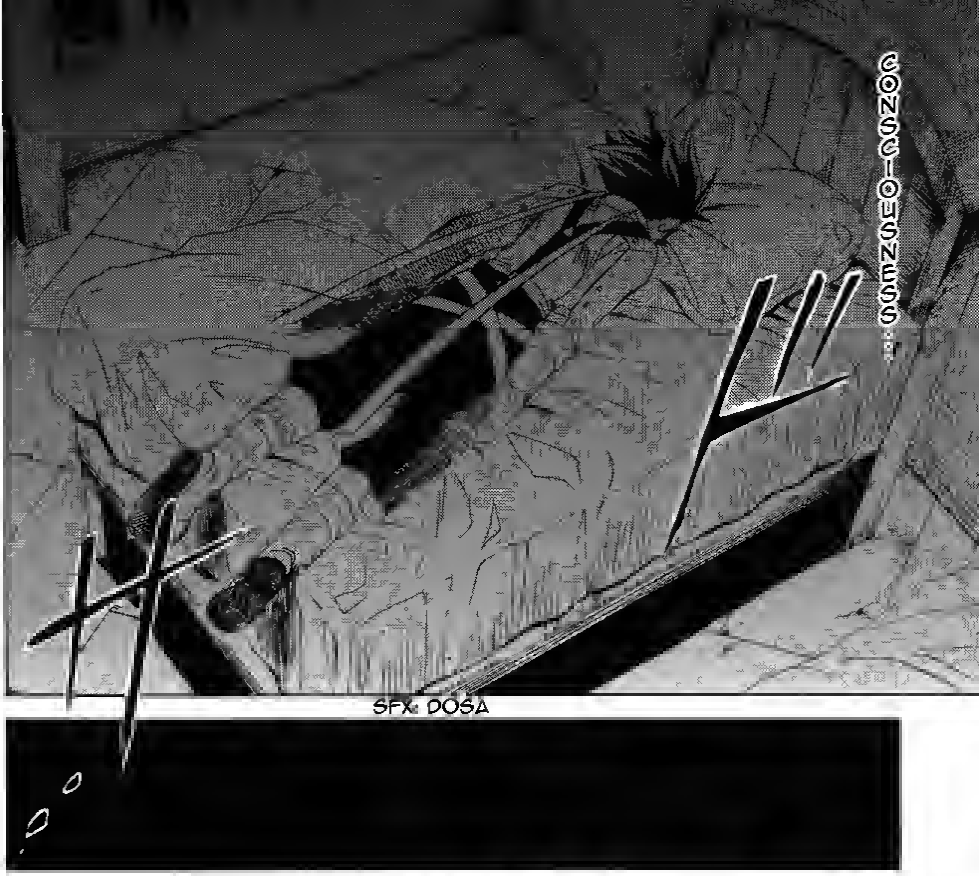
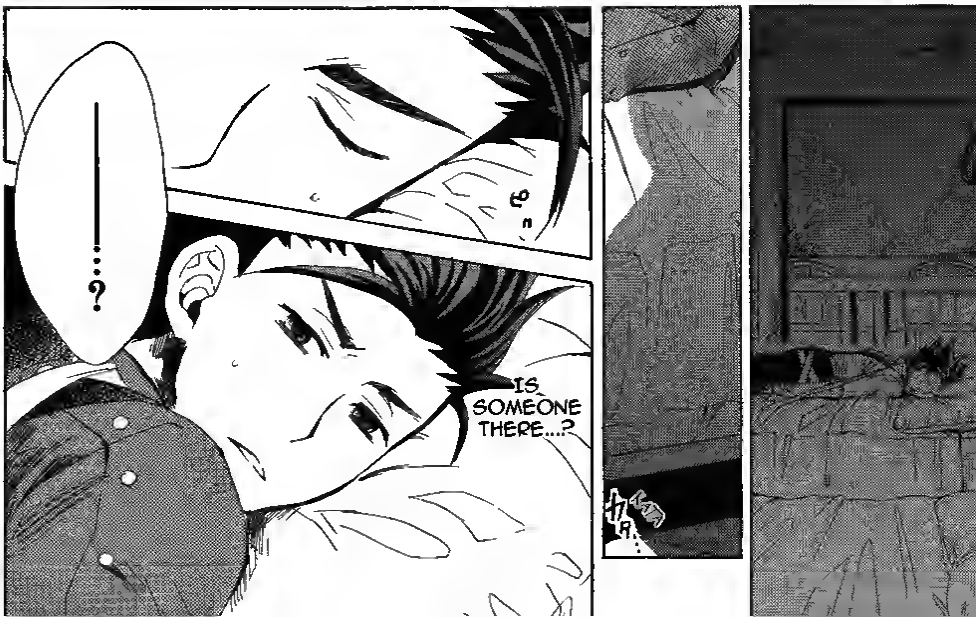
THAT'S FUNNY,
WHY AM I THIS SLEEPY...?


GOSA-GOSA...
SFX: DOSA


IS SOMEONE THERE...?
...?

LLOYD IRVING.
IT'S BEEN A WHILE,
SFX: BOFU-
SFX: DA
WHA...
WHAT'S THIS?
I CAN'T MOVE...
!?
N...
YUA...
HU

DAMN-
LET GO...!!
WHA...
DID YOU DO...?
...WE'VE DONE NOTHING.
SIR!
TAKE HIM.
FATHER ...!?
DID YOU DO SOME-THING TO MY DAD!?
...IF YOU GO QUIETLY, WE'LL LET YOU SEE YOUR FATHER.
DON'T RESIST.

...NOT THAT FATHER.
!
EVERY-ONE!
CALM DOWN. THEY'VE ONLY FALLEN ASLEEP.

KRATOS...
!
LLOYD, YOU ARE OUR TARGET.
ONLY YOU.
FASTER THAN I EXPECTED.
...YLIAN.
RELEASE HIM. AT THIS POINT HE STILL KNOWS NOTHING.
FOR YOU TO HAVE COME SO SOON MUST BE GOOD LUCK.

LET LLOYD GO AND LEAVE.
...KRATOS.
WHY?
...BESIDES, YUAN!
EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE A RENEGADE, YOU'RE STILL ONE OF CRUXIS' LEADERS! WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS?
...IT MEANS WE ALL HAVE CIRCUMSTANCES.
KRATOS! RELEASE ORIGIN'S SEAL!
...IF YOU REFUSE...
IF YOU VALUE YOUR SON'S LIFE, YOU WILL DO AS I SAY.

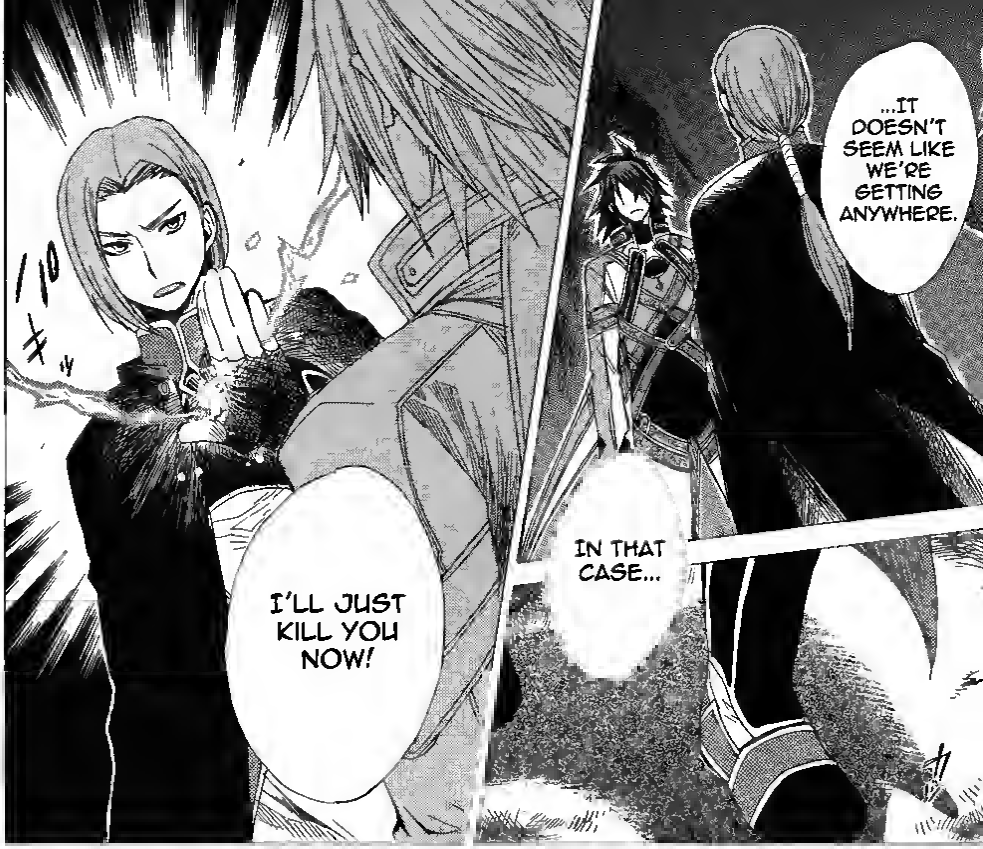
YOU AND KRATOS ARE FATHER AND SON.
...SON?
...YUAN.
IS THIS NOT A GOOD CHANCE...
TO TELL LLOYD?

KRATOS... MY FATHER...?
THAT... CAN'T BE...
THE KRATOS WHO BETRAYED US, AND MADE COLETTE SUFFER?!
WHO EVEN TRIED TO KILL US!?
YOU'RE LYING...!!

DON'T MOVE!
チャキ
……
HOW DOES IT FEEL TO HAVE YOUR OWN SON REJECT YOU?
KRATOS.

SFX: GA-

……TCH
IF YOU DON'T RELEASE ORIGIN, THEN LLOYD WILL DIE HERE.
SO, WHAT'S IT GOING TO BE?
GRR...
MOVE AND THE BOY DIES!


...IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE WE'RE GETTING ANYWHERE.
IN THAT CASE...
I'LL JUST KILL YOU NOW!

.....
...YOU CHANGED ONCE YOU GOT A FAMILY.
.....!

YOU'VE GROWN SOFT... EVEN FIFTEEN YEARS AGO, WHEN ANNA TRANSFORMED INTO THAT MONSTER.
IF ANNA HADN'T BEEN TOGETHER WITH YOU, SHE WOULDN'T HAVE ENDED UP LIKE THAT...
...SHUT UP...
SHE WAS A PITIFUL WOMAN.
SFX: BUN
!!
SHUT UP!!
DON'T SAY THINGS...

LIKE YOU KNOW EVERY-THING...!!
...YOU FOOL!
SFX: PATSU
SHI—

.....
UGH
.....?
SFX: CLATTER

...ARE YOU AL-RIGHT?
AH... YEAH ...
...KRATOS?

GOOD...

SFX: DOKU DOKU

...WHATEVER, JUST TAKE THEM!
SIR!
AAAAAAAGGHH!
SFX: D KA

GUH
WHAT THE HELL...?!
THAT'S ENOUGH...
YUAN.

WHY ARE YOU HERE?!
WHY... ARE YOU...?
LATELY, I'VE BEEN WONDERING WHAT YOU'VE BEEN SCHEMING—
W... WH...
SFX: DONN
SFX: HYU

SFX: DOGAA
GUH...
WH-
WHY?
WHY ARE YOU HERE!?

TO THINK, THAT ALL ALONG...YOU WERE THE LEADER OF THE RENEGADES, WHO HAVE BEEN OPPOSING CRUXIS,
YUAN.
I TOLD PRONYMA TO KEEP TABS ON KRATOS,
YGGDRASILL ...!!
SFX: GA!
GUH...
BECAUSE I BELIEVED HE WAS LEAKING INFORMATION TO LLOYD'S GROUP.

THE BOTH OF YOU HAVE BE-TRAYED ME, HUH?
I REALLY WOULD LOVE TO KILL YOU, BUT...
MY SISTER WOULD'VE WISHED FOR ME LET YOU LIVE
UGH...
HA HA...
HA HA HA...
HA HA HA HA HA HA

IS SOMEONE THERE?
SFX: KI...
WHAT...
IN THE WORLD ...?
.....!?

LLOYD...!!
はっ
LLOYD, WHAT HAP-PENED!?
HANG ON, LLOYD!!
AND KRATOS TOO...
...MITH-OS...
WHAT JUST HAP-PENED HERE?
CO-LET TE...

GUH...
IS THAT SO...
YOU HID YOUR TRUE SELF AND APPROACHED THEM, DIDN'T YOU?
YGG-DRASILL!
!?
YOU'RE KIDDING... HE SHOULD LOOK OLDER, RIGHT?!
BESIDES, WE'RE FRIENDS...
...FRIE-NDS?
MITHOS?
...YGG-DRASILL?

YOU REALLY BELIEVED ME?
YOU WERE TRICKED, GENIS.
SFX: DOO
MASTER ALT-ESSA!
...U ...GHH
DOOM
ALTESSA!!

WHY...?
...MITH-OS...
YOU GOT ALONG SO WELL WITH THEM!
HOW COULD YOU DO SUCH A TERRIBLE THING?!
II JUST DELIV-ERED PUNISH-MENT FOR THAT...
AND RUNNING AWAY.
HOW COULD YOU...
HOW COULD YOU, MITHOS?
HE SPOKE TOO MUCH FOR BEING A CRAFTSMAN.

ABOUT THAT...
I ASSUMED THAT IF I DID THAT, THEN IT WOULD BE EASIER FOR YOU ALL TO BELIEVE ME.
AND YOU WERE EVEN INJURED!
YOU SAVED TABATHA...
...THAT IS INCORRECT.
MITHOS!
...SHUT UP!
BECAUSE OF YOUR KINDNESS, YOU SAVED ME THAT TIME, DIDN'T YOU?
MITHOS IS A KIND PERSON.

...MITHOS.
ミトス
UGH
.....
SILENCE...!
SFX:DOGA!

ME...
SAV... ED...
MI.. THOS...
MI... THO
...S...
SHUT UP...
SHUT UP, SHUT UP!
TA- BATHA!
YOU TWISTED DOLL, WHO LOOKS SO DISTURBINGLY LIKE MY SISTER!
YOU'VE NEVER HAD A SOUL!
YOU'RE A FAILED VESSEL, WHO COULDN'T EVEN ACCEPT MY SISTER'S SOUL!

JUST BY LOOKING, YOU CAN TELL THAT THERE'S NOTHING.
COME ON...!
...MITH-OS.
MITHOS!
WAIT!
GA...
W...WAIT, YGG-DRASILL...
MITHOS ...!!
GENIS!

YOU'RE OUR FRIEND!
RIGHT, MITHOS?!
<- SFX: ZAA
...AH...
ヒク!!

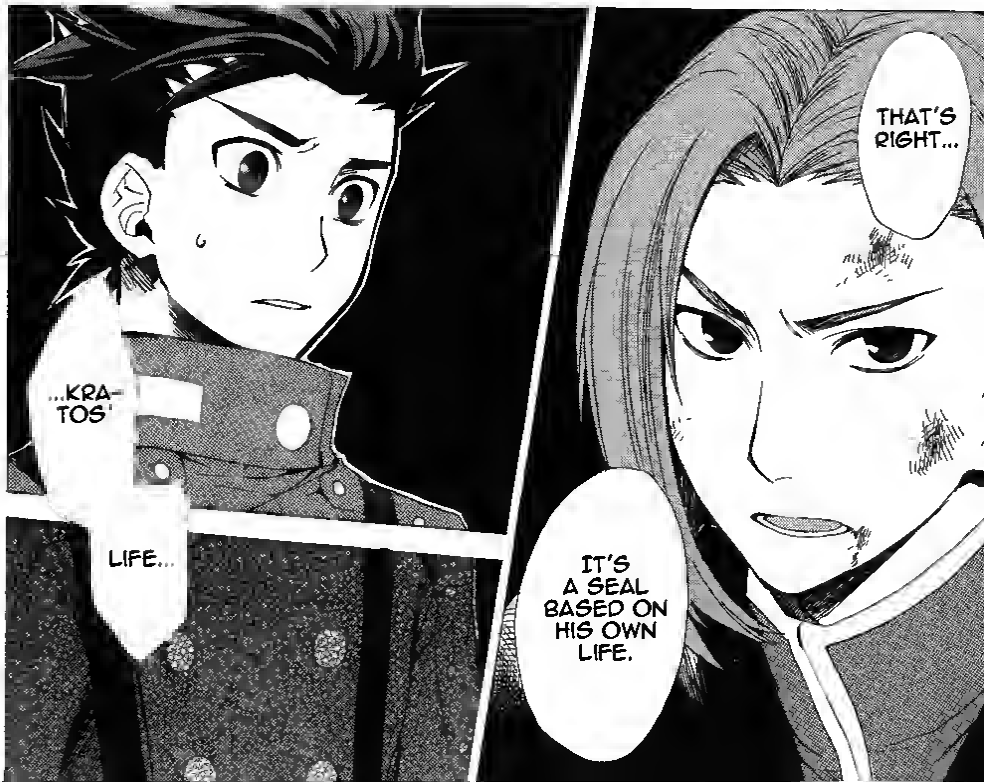
MITHOS!
.....
GAAGHHH
LLOYD!?
KRA...
...KRATOS!
.....
A...

LOAD:18 Maneuver

...UGH...
BUT KRATOS ...
DON'T BOTHER.
LLOYD, ARE YOU OKAY?
...YEAH.
TA-BATHA ..!!
ALT-ESSA...
GOING SO FAR AS TRYING TO KILL KRATOS...
JUST WHAT EXACTLY DID YOU HOPE TO ACCOM-PLISH?
YES.
OUR PLAN FELL APART, BUT...
WHAT ABOUT YOU?
...YUAN.
KRATOS IS FINE.
YGG-DRASILL TOOK HIM BACK WITH HIM...

IF WE DESTROYED THAT OMINOUS TOWER,
THE RULE ESTABLISHED A THOUSAND YEARS AGO WOULD END, AND THERE WOULD BE A GREAT REBIRTH...
WHAT IS "ORIGIN'S SEAL" EXACTLY?
DID YOU THINK OF MAKING A PACT WITH ORIGIN AND USING THE ETERNAL SWORD?
...YEAH.
...THE SEAL CAN ONLY BE UNDONE BY THE MANA RELEASED FROM THAT MAN.
RULE ESTABLISHED A THOUSAND YEARS AGO...?
A GREAT REBIRTH...?
...KRATOS IS THE ONLY ONE ABLE TO UNDO ORIGIN'S SEAL?
THAT WAS OUR PLAN.
BECAUSE OF A DESIAN CONTACT, LLOYD... WE KNEW OF YOUR EXISTENCE.
WE DECIDED TO USE YOU AS LEVERAGE.

WHA...
IF THAT HAPPENS, HE'LL LOSE HIS LIFE!
MANA RELEASED...?


...KRATOS'
LIFE...
IT'S A SEAL BASED ON HIS OWN LIFE.
THAT'S RIGHT...

HAVEN'T YOU BEEN FRIENDS FOR FOUR THOUSAND YEARS?!
THAT WAS MARTEL'S WILL, TWISTED BY HIM, AND THIS IS THE RESULT.
THIS IS NOT WHAT SHE TRULY WANTED....
.....
ARE YOU SAYING WE HAVE TO EXCHANGE HIS LIFE IN ORDER TO GET THE ETERNAL SWORD?!
...BEING WITH CRUXIS, WHY DON'T YOU AGREE WITH YGGDRASILL?
WA... WAIT, YUAN!
SHE WANTED A WORLD WITHOUT DISCRIMINATION.
THAT'S WHAT SHE SAID.
...WHAT LADY MARTEL WANTED...

I HAVE TO EVACUATE THE RENEGADES BEFORE YGGDRASILL WIPES THEM OUT...
THERE'S NO TIME.
YUAN...
...IT'S NO GOOD!
I'VE HEALED ALL OF HIS VISIBLE WOUNDS, BUT THERE'S INTERNAL DAMAGE...!
HANG ON, YOU TWO!!
ALTESSA!
IS THERE NO DOCTOR AROUND?!
IT'S TOO DANGEROUS AT THIS RATE.
THERE'S A WELL-TRAINED DOCTOR OUT THERE...
IT'S A LITTLE FAR, THOUGH.

...EVEN ON THE RHEAIRDS, A ROUND TRIP IT WOULD TAKE A DAY.
DURING THAT TIME, WILL YOU BE AL-RIGHT?
...WE'LL SEE.
IT'S NO USE,
WE'LL STAY HERE AND YOU'LL TAKE THE OTHERS WITH YOU.
BRING THAT DOCTOR BACK FOR US!
...AL-RIGHT.
EVERY-ONE! LET'S GO!
WE'RE GOING TO THE FAR NORTH-EASTERN TOWN...
OF FLANOIR!

GOODNESS SAKES...THERE'S GOING TO BE A SPECIAL EMERGENCY FEE, YOU KNOW.
IF IT'S MONEY YOU WANT, WE'LL PAY ANYTHING!
THERE IS A SERIOUSLY INJURED PATIENT!
PLEASE HURRY!
...HUH?
I WONDER IF IT WILL BE ALRIGHT.
I'LL GO LOOK!
THAT STUPID CHOSEN!
WHAT'S HE DOING AT A TIME LIKE THIS?!
WHERE'S ZELOS?
ZELOS?
NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT, I HAVEN'T SEEN HIM SINCE WE ENTERED THE TOWN.

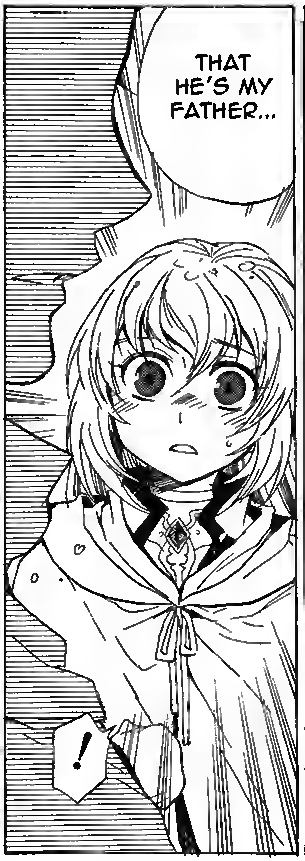
COLETTE CAN STAY TOO.
STAY CLOSE TO LLOYD.
R-RIGHT.
AND WE'LL COME BACK HERE TOMORROW.
THAT'S IT. LLOYD, GO LOOK FOR THAT IDIOT,
OKAY.
...WAIT.
HOW ABOUT SPLITTING UP?
THAT WILL WASTE TIME.
IT'S ALRIGHT!
WE'LL HAVE LUNA AND ASKA TO LIGHT THE WAY!
FLYING AT NIGHT CAN BE DANGEROUS, SO TAKE CARE, EVERYONE!
...IT'S A TOTALLY DIFFERENT CLIMATE FROM ISELIA.

LOOK!
YOU CAN SEE OUT OVER THE TOWN OF FLANOIR.
IT'S SO PRETTY.
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN SO MUCH SNOW.
...YEAH.
...LLOYD.
I'M SORRY FOR BRINGING UP BAD THINGS,
EVEN ABOUT ORIGIN'S SEAL...
UP UNTIL RECENTLY YOU COULDN'T FEEL ANYTHING, RIGHT?
IS THAT SO?
S-SORRY... GOING ON AND ON AT A TIME LIKE THIS.
BECAUSE MY ABILITY TO FEEL RETURNED, I CAN SENSE COLD AND WARM, AND I'M REALLY HAPPY...

I'M SURE EVERYONE WILL UNDERSTAND!
JUST LIKE HOW YOU SAVED ME, LET'S FIND A WAY TO SAVE KRATOS SO HE WON'T DIE.

UMM, THAT'S WHY...
HOWEVER MUCH YOU ARE AN ANGEL,
IF YOU RELEASE YOUR MANA, YOU'LL DIE...

THAT A GUY, WHO BETRAYED US AND MADE US SUFFER...
WOULD SUDDENLY SAY SOMETHING LIKE THAT....
...AND NOW, HE MIGHT DIE.


THAT HE'S MY FATHER...
!

RIGHT?
LET'S DO THAT!
I... DON'T GET IT ANYMORE...

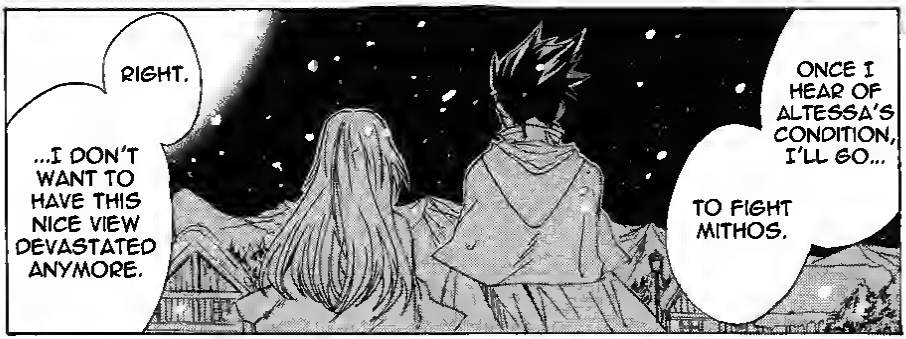
...WHAT SHOULD I BELIEVE...?

EVEN IF KRATOS IS YOUR FATHER,
NO MATTER WHO YOUR PARENTS ARE...
LLOYD IS STILL LLOYD.
YOU SAID, "EVEN THOUGH SHE'S TURNING INTO AN ANGEL, COLETTE IS STILL COLETTE."
WHEN I FIRST STARTED THE ANGEL TRANSFORMATION....
DON'T SAY THAT, LLOYD.
I'M... MYSELF ...?
BESIDES, DIDN'T KRATOS HELP YOU?
UP UNTIL NOW, LOTS OF TIMES...
HE'S BEEN A WONDERFUL FATHER, HASN'T HE?
DON'T LOSE SIGHT OF WHO YOU ARE.

AND EV-
ERYTHING
AFTER
THAT....
...LLOYD...
I SUPPOSE
KRATOS HAS
HIS OWN
IDEA, AND IS
FOLLOWING
MITHOS...
I WANT
TO TRY
AND
ASK.
...BUT I
STILL
CAN'T
CALL HIM
"DAD".
WHY IS HE
STILL IN
CRUXIS
FOLLOWING
MITHOS?
UNTIL I
KNOW HIS
REASONS...
THAT'S
GOOD.
THANKS,
COLETTE.
...I FEEL
A LITTLE
BETTER
NOW.

THAT'S WHY I'LL STOP HIM.
...I DEFINITELY CAN'T AGREE WITH MITHOS' IDEA.

WHEN BAD THINGS WERE TROUBLING ME, I WASN'T MYSELF!!
MY HEAD HURTS WHEN I'M THINKING OF SERI-OUS STUFF LIKE THAT!
HAAA—!!
AHAHA!

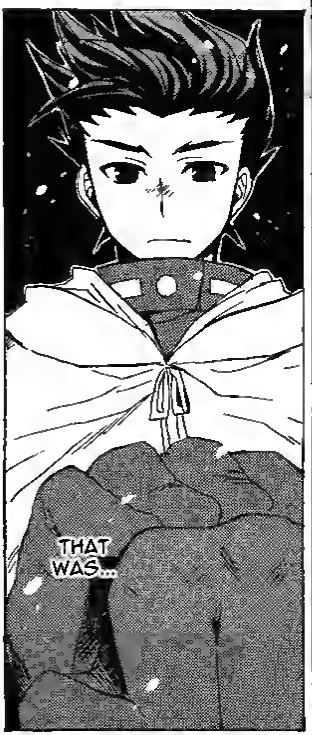

RIGHT.
...I DON'T WANT TO HAVE THIS NICE VIEW DEVASTATED ANYMORE.
ONCE I HEAR OF ALTESSA'S CONDITION, I'LL GO...
TO FIGHT MITHOS.

COLETTE, GO AHEAD AND CHECK IN AT THE INN.
IT WON'T BE GOOD IF YOU CATCH A COLD.
WHAT ABOUT YOU?

Yeah, it seems so.
ARE YOU COLD?
She looks pretty happy.

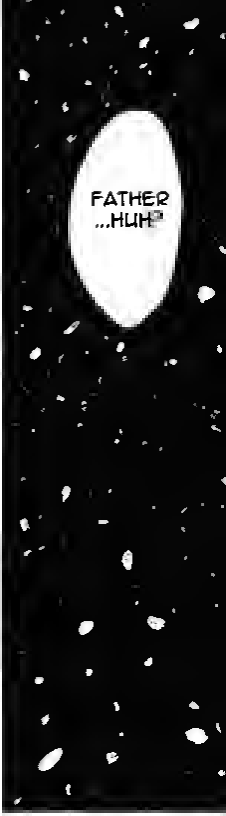
ACH-OO...
I'M SURE IT'LL BE FI...
ACHOO!

BE SURE TO YOU COME BACK BEFORE YOU CATCH A COLD TOO.
I'LL MAKE SOMETHING WARM FOR YOU TO DRINK WHEN YOU GET THERE.
ALRIGHT... THANK YOU!
...OKAY.
AND LOOK AROUND FOR ZELOS.
I'LL STAY HERE A LITTLE LONGER..
TO CLEAR MY HEAD,


THAT WAS...

I WONDER...
THE NOSTALGIC FEELING WAS BECAUSE HE WAS MY FATHER,
FROM ALL THE TIMES HE'S HELPED ME,

"RIGHT NOW YOU NEED TO CARRY THOSE FEELINGS."
"WHAT DO YOU SEEK TO ACCOMPLISH BY THROWING AWAY YOUR EXSPHERE?"


FATHER ...HUH?

SFX: TMP

ACTUALLY KRATOS' WAY...

...CO-
LLETE?
WHAT'S
THE...

KRATOS...
AIO-NIS...
CAN I DO IT...?
OH!
ZELOS!
!
OH...OH, COLETTE!
WHAT'S UP?
WHAT'S THE MATTER, ZELOS?
WE WERE LOOKING FOR YOU, YOU KNOW?

BUT LLOYD'S STILL HERE TOO.
HEY, YOU KNOW...EVERYONE'S OUT TAKING CARE OF OTHER THINGS,
GYEHHEH
SORRY, SORRY.
STILL, WE WOULD'VE LIKED YOU TO HAVE SAID SOMETHING.
EVERYONE WAS WORRIED!
REALLY?
...I'M NOT EXACTLY FOND OF SNOW.
OH...MY BAD.
I'M GOING AHEAD TO THE INN.
HM MM...
SO GO ON AND MEET LLOYD!
RIGHT...
WHERE'D LLOYD GO?
HE WAS WITH ME A WHILE AGO...
BUT HE SHOULD STILL BE AT THE LOOKOUT POINT.

CO-
LETTE.
W-
WHAT?
WHY?
COLETTE,
IT'S NOT
BAD, IS IT?
THE FACT
THAT
YOU'RE A
CHOSEN
ONE?
"WHY"
SHE
ASKS...
IT'S
YOUR
LIFE
ISN'T IT?
HAVEN'T
YOU EVER
WISHED TO
LIVE THE
WAY YOU
WANTED
TO?
I'M LIVING
FREELY...
AND EVERY-
ONE LOOKED
FOR A WAY
FOR ME NOT
TO BECOME A
SACRIFICE.

FOR THE WORLD TO BE HAPPY.
SO MY HEART WISHES...
EVEN IF MY BODY IS TAKEN, MY HEART IS STILL FREE.

I'LL GO SEE LLOYD.

ZELOS?
THERE'S NO WAY I COULD IMITATE THAT.

YOU'RE AMAZING, COLETTE.

YOUR WOUNDS... ARE YOU OKAY NOW?
YES.
DID YOU KNOW THE WHOLE TIME?
THAT I...WAS YOUR SON?
WHEN I HEARD YOUR NAME, I THOUGHT IT COULD BE POSSIBLE...
IT WAS CONFIRMED WHEN I SAW ANNA'S GRAVE AT YOUR HOUSE
HOW DID MOM DIE?
YOU KNOW, DON'T YOU...?

MOM WAS PART OF THE SAME EXPERIMENT AS PRESEA...
MITHOS' THOUSAND-YEAR REIGN WAS DEPENDENT ON HIS INORGANIC BODY.
KNOWING THIS, I OPPOSED HIM AND DESCENDED UPON THE EARTH.
...ANNA WAS USED FOR RESEARCH IN THE ANGELUS PROJECT.
THEY WERE TRYING TO MAKE A CRUXIS CRYSTAL WITHIN HER BODY.
AFTER I MET HER, I REALIZED THAT BELIEVING MITHOS' METHODS WERE THE FASTEST WAY TO REUNITE THE WORLDS WAS A MISTAKE.
I THEN BEGAN TO SEARCH FOR A WAY FOR A HUMAN TO WIELD THE ETERNAL SWORD.
THEN I MET ANNA...

IN ORDER TO RE-UNITE THE WORLDS?
YES.
...BUT ANNA AND I WERE PURSUED BY CRUXIS.
IN THAT FREQUENTLY CHANGING WORLD, YOU WERE EVENTUALLY BORN, BUT...
KVAR FINALLY CAUGHT US.
ANNA, WITH HER EXSPHERE REMOVED, AND LACKING A KEY CREST, LOST CONTROL OF THE MANA WITHIN HER BODY
...AND TURNED INTO A MONSTER.
WHEN IT CAME TO THE POINT THAT SHE WAS GOING TO DEVOUR YOU, NOISHE PROTECTED YOU, AND SHE ALSO TEMPORARILY REGAINED CONSCIOUSNESS.
NOISHE DID...?
IT WAS PROBABLY AFTER THAT INCIDENT THAT NOISHE BECAME SENSITIVE TO MONSTERS.
THAT'S WHY HE REALLY HATES GOING TO PLACES WITH MONSTERS.
I GET IT...

...ANNA REGAINED HERSELF IN THAT FORM
PLE...ASE, KRATO...S
KILL ME.
WHILE I... WHILE I STILL HAVE MY CONSCIOUSNESS...
SHE BEGGED ME TO KILL HER.
KILL ME...!
PLEASE...!!
.....
UGH

I...KILLED ANNA.
THAT'S ENOUGH!
THEN I....
ANNA LOST CONTROL AGAIN, AND TARGETED YOU.
THAT'S ENOUGH ...
...AFTER THAT...
I SAID THAT'S ENOUGH!

KVAR AND HIS TROOPS RETREATED, AND I DESCENDED THE CLIFF...
ALL THAT WAS LEFT WERE DESIAN CORPSES EATEN AND SCATTERED AROUND.
KVAR ATTACKED...YOU, NOISHE, AND THE EXSPHERE SLID OFF THE CLIFF AND FELL.
BEING ORIGIN'S SEAL, IF I WAS KILLED, THE SEAL WOULD BE UNDONE.
YGGDRASILL PROBABLY COULDN'T JUST LEAVE ME ALONE...
SO THEN YOU WENT BACK TO CRUXIS?
I THOUGHT THERE WAS NO WAY...
YOU COULD BE ALIVE
...AND YOU WERE OKAY WITH THAT?!
EVEN THOUGH YOU OPPOSED HIS WAYS?!

MITHOS HAD SAID IF HE BROUGHT MARTEL BACK, THE WORLDS WOULD BE RE-UNITED.
HIS PLAN RE-TURNED THE WORLD TO NORMAL, THAT WAS ENOUGH. .
ANYTHING AND EV-ERYTHING BECAME MEANING-LESS.
YOU...RE-SEMBLE MITHOS.
LIKE YOU, MITHOS DES-PERATELY WANTED TO SAVE THE WORLD...
WITHOUT GIVING UP, HE WAS HOPEFUL EVEN THROUGH HARDSHIPS.
M...
ME...?
LLOYD..
THAT WAS UNTIL I MET YOU.

LLOYD,
YOU KNOW YOU CAN CORRECT YOUR MISTAKES.
STILL... THERE IS AN IMPORTANT POINT WHERE YOU DIFFER FROM MITHOS.
...KILLED...
NO.
...IS IT RACE?
...RIGHT UNTIL MARTEL WAS KILLED.
NOT MITHOS.
NOT ME.
WE COULDN'T DO THAT...
WITH COLETTE, THE WORLD, AND EVERYTHING ELSE...
YOU CARRY THE COURAGE TO STAND AND FACE ANYTHING WITHOUT GIVING UP.

YOU CAN CORRECT YOUR MISTAKES!
YOU'VE REALIZED IT NOW!
...BUT!
BUT YOU DIDN'T GIVE UP.
WE COULDN'T CORRECT OUR MISTAKEN PATH.
WE COULDN'T CORRECT OUR OWN ERRORS, SO WE GAVE UP.
A WAY SO THAT YOU DON'T HAVE TO SACRIFICE YOURSELF...
LET'S SEARCH FOR A WAY SO THAT WHEN WE RELEASE ORIGIN'S SEAL...
IT'S OKAY IF YOU START NOW!
...TOGETHER...

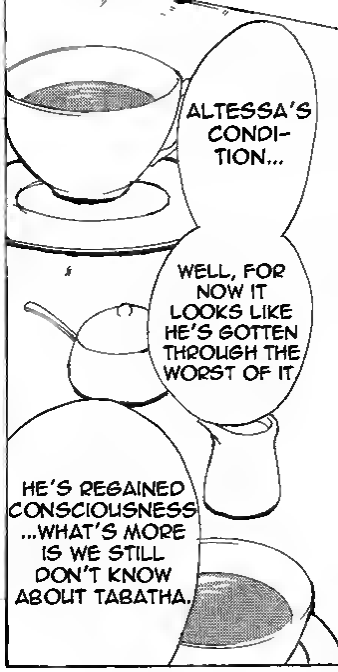
...THERE ARE STILL THINGS I HAVE TO DO.
I CANNOT FIGHT ALONG-SIDE YOU.
...THINGS TO DO...
UNTIL I ENTRUST IT TO YOU...
DON'T GET YOURSELF KILLED.
DON'T LEAVE YGGDRASILL ALONE...
HE'S CAPABLE OF SACRIFICING COUNTLESS LIVES.
STOP HIM BEFORE COLETTE IS TAKEN...
HUH...?
KRATOS!
WHERE ARE...

I'LL STOP MITHOS...
WHAT... DO YOU MEAN BY THAT?
HIS BASE AT ON TOP OF THE TOWER OF SALVATION...IN WELGAIA.
I'LL STOP YG-GDRA-SILL...
NO.

BUT...
EVEN THEN, I'LL STILL HAVE TO FIGHT YOU.
YEAH...
I'LL STOP HIM.
...KRA-TOS...

KRATOS
...

IS IT ALRIGHT IF WE LEAVE THEM LIKE THIS?
JUST NOW, THE DOCTOR AND SHEENA...
DID US A FAVOR BY TAKING THEM TO THE PEOPLE OF MIZUHO SO THEY COULD TEND TO THEM.


ALTESSA'S CONDITION...
WELL, FOR NOW IT LOOKS LIKE HE'S GOTTEN THROUGH THE WORST OF IT
HE'S REGAINED CONSCIOUSNESS ...WHAT'S MORE IS WE STILL DON'T KNOW ABOUT TABATHA.

EVERYONE, PLEASE LISTEN FOR A MOMENT.
I'M THINKING WE SHOULD INFILTRATE CRUXIS' BASE.

I SEE... THAT'S GOOD.
.....

SFX: BADUMP
YUAN MENTIONED IT BEFORE, DIDN'T HE?
AH, WELL...
...YES.
!!
.....!
WAIT, LLOYD.
THIS BASE, DO YOU KNOW WHERE IT IS?
BASE...
YEAH.
DO YOU PLAN TO FIGHT MITHOS?!
THERE ARE TWO OBJECTIVES.
END THE THOUSAND-YEAR REIGN...
AND RELEASE ORIGIN'S SEAL.
...WELGAIA.
HE SAID TO GET TO IT FROM THE TOWER OF SALVATION.
THAT IS WHERE CRUXIS' BASE LIES.
...BUT LLOYD,
IF WE RELEASE THE SEAL, KRATOS WILL...
I KNOW...
BUT IT HASN'T BEEN DECIDED THAT HE'LL DIE FOR SURE.

...I'M SORRY, GENIS.
I DON'T KNOW IF HE'S A FRIEND OR NOT.
BUT WE DON'T HAVE TIME TO WORRY ABOUT IT.
I WILL FIGHT MITHOS.
CRUXIS' WAYS ARE WRONG.
UP UNTIL NOW THERE HAVE BEEN MANY LIVES SACRIFICED...
WE CAN'T ALLOW THERE TO BE LIVES FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF DYING!
I ALSO AGREE WITH LLOYD.
PRE-SEA...

FOR EVERY-ONE IN TETHE'ALLA AND SYL-VARANT!
IN ORDER TO RE-UNITE THE WORLD.
I'LL GO TOO.
I DON'T WANT TO SEE ANY MORE VICTIMS OF EXSPHERES LIKE ALICIA...
BUT, LLOYD ... EVEN IF YOU DO GET A PACT WITH ORIGIN, WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO ABOUT THE ETERNAL SWORD?
I'LL GO... I'LL GO AND FACE MITHOS!
THAT'S RIGHT!
UM...
RIGHT!
EVEN IF THEY'RE FRIENDS YOU STILL HAVE TO TELL THEM ABOUT THEIR MISTAKES!

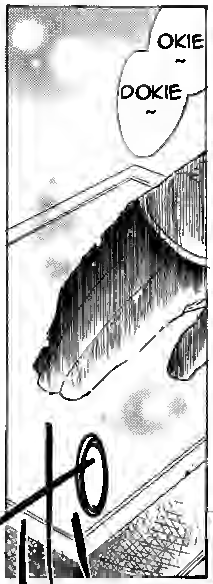
YOU DON'T NEED TO WORRY ABOUT THAT.
...WHAT ARE YOU SAYING, ZELOS?
EVEN THOUGH I'M NOT A HALF-ELF, DON'T I USE MAGICAL SWORDS?
IT'S BECAUSE I RECEIVED A MAGICAL DERIVATIVE, THE LATEST OF TETHE'ALLA'S NEW TECHNOLOGY.
MEANING EVEN THOUGH I'M HUMAN, I HAVE ELVEN BLOOD TOO.
...IS THERE REALLY TECHNOLOGY LIKE THAT?
SURE IS...
WONDER WHY, HUH?
WHAT DO YOU THINK?
NOW WE CAN MAKE IT WORK SOMEHOW.
.....
SO...IN THAT CASE THIS MAY BE THE FINAL BATTLE.

ONCE EVERYONE'S READY WE'LL REGROUP HERE...
...AND THEN DEPART.
...ZELOS.
OH...WHAT IS IT, LLOYD?
...THANKS.

ABOUT WHAT?
HUH?
WELL...ABOUT TELLING US ABOUT THAT MAGICAL DERIVATIVE STUFF, YOU KNOW...
...AND FOR STAYING WITH US TO THE END.
AT FIRST YOU WERE JUST MONITORING US, AND WEREN'T VERY ENTHUSIASTIC...

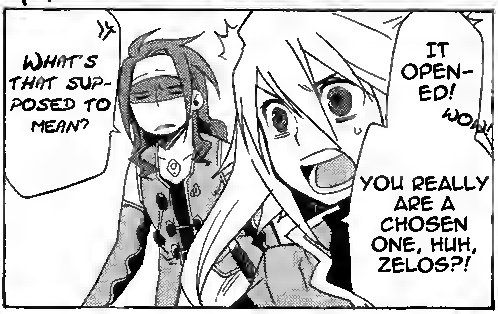
WE'RE COUNTING ON YOU, ZELOS!
OF COURSE!
HEY...
AREN'T I A FRIEND NOW, OF THIS GROUP?
...OH!
SO YOU COMING WITH US WAS A LITTLE UNEXPECTED.
AH...
WELL...
haha.
WHEN YOU PLANNED TO RIDE THE MUD-BOAT, DIDN'T I SAY "LEAVE IT TO ME"?
WASN'T THAT A SHIP?
OH! WAS IT?
WELL, I DO UNDERSTAND YOU WOULD WANT TO COUNT ON ME THOUGH.
HEY, WHAT ARE YOU SAYING~~
whack
It hurts
whack

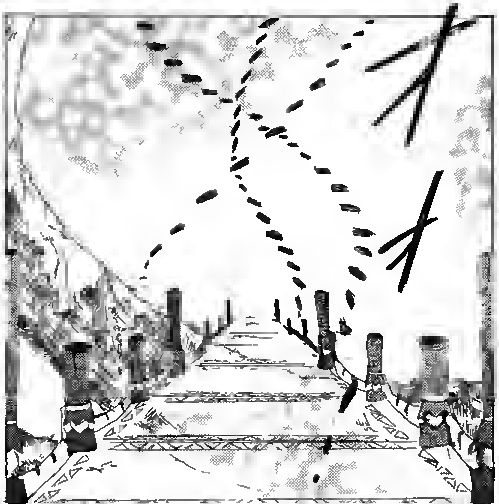
WHEN ENTERING THE TOWER, IF THE CHOSEN ONE DOESN'T SHOW IDENTIFICATION...
EVERY-ONE!
AH, EVERY-ONE SEEMS TO BE FIN-ISHED WITH THEIR AR-RANGE-MENTS.
WELL, WELL... AT ANY RATE WE SHOULD GET GOING
OH, IT DOES!


OKIE ~ DOKIE ~

WERE YOU CARRYING THAT?
BEFORE WE LEFT MELTOKIO I HAD MY SISTER SEND IT AND RETURN IT TO ME.

IS THIS OKAY, ZELOS?
THERE SHOULDN'T BE ANY PROBLEMS
THIS CRUXIS CRYSTAL SHOULD MAKE IT OPEN.


WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?
IT OPENED! WOW!
YOU REALLY ARE A CHOSEN ONE, HUH, ZELOS?!



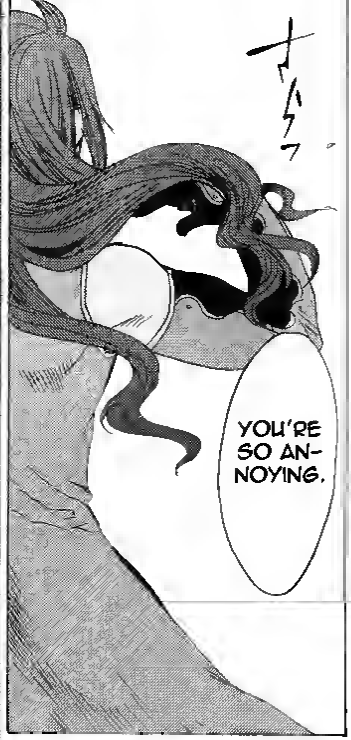
THE TOWER ON THIS SIDE IS THE SAME, HUH?
...WHAT IS THIS?
A MAUSOLEUM...?
THE SUCCESSIVE GENERATIONS OF FAILED CHOSENS
QUITE THE SPECTACLE NOW...
COLETTE, COME HERE FOR A SECOND.
HERE'S WHERE I SAID TO LET ME HANDLE IT.
HOW SHOULD WE GO UP FROM HERE?
I'VE GOT A GOOD IDEA
...ME?

NEVER MIND,
JUST C'MERE.
WHAT IS IT?
BE CONNECTED WITH SYLVARANT'S TOWER?
COULD IT...
...NO, IT'S THE SAME.
THAT PILLAR..
LOOKS JUST LIKE THE ONE I BROKE.

LLOYD!
COLETTE?!
AHHH...
YOU...
GOOD WORK, CHOSEN ONE.

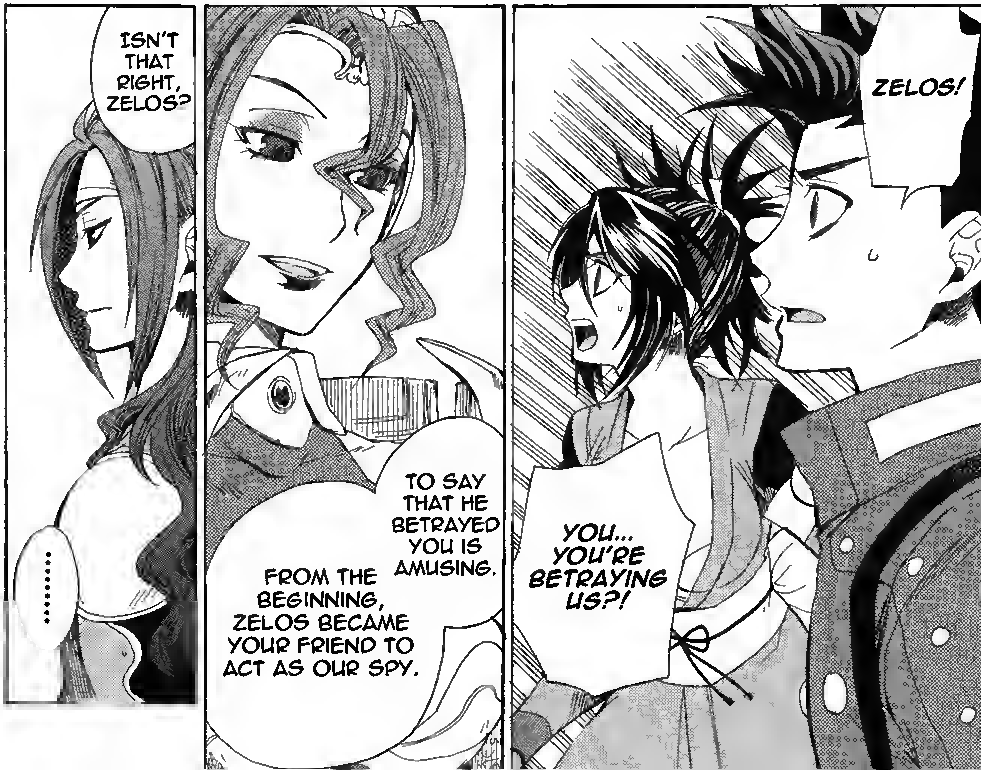
COME,
BRING COLETTE.
PRONYMA ...!!
AL-RIGHT.
CO-LETTE !!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
ZELOS ?!

WHAT YOU ALL ARE DOING IS FUTILE.


YOU'RE SO ANNOYING.

COMING EVENTS CAST THEIR SHADOWS BEFORE THEM, DON'T YOU KNOW?

ISN'T IT GREAT?
COLETTE WANTED TO BECOME A SACRIFICE...
ISN'T THAT RIGHT, MY LITTLE ANGEL?
ZELOS...
YOU'RE KIDDING, AREN'T YOU?!


ZELOS!
YOU... YOU'RE BETRAYING US?!
TO SAY THAT HE BETRAYED YOU IS AMUSING.
FROM THE BEGINNING, ZELOS BECAME YOUR FRIEND TO ACT AS OUR SPY.
ISN'T THAT RIGHT, ZELOS?
.....

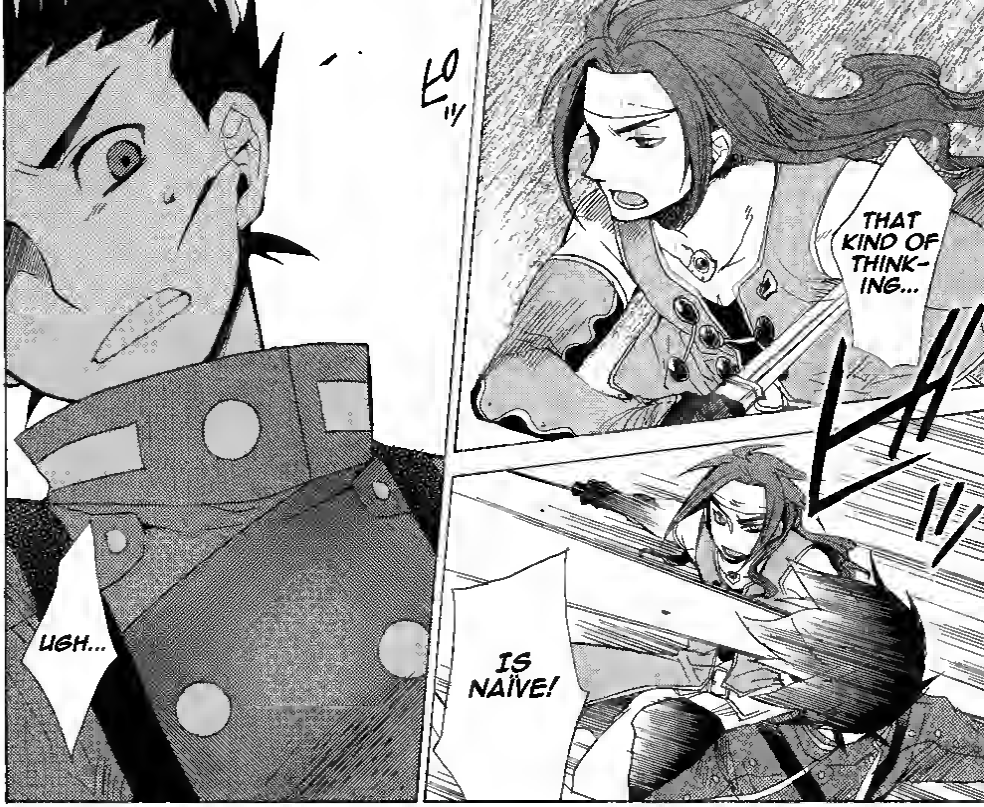
ZELOS ...
IS THIS TRUE?
I SIDE WITH THE STRONG.
RENEGADES, CRUXIS, AND YOU ALL...
I COULD GET ANYTHING.
YOU EVEN LEAKED INFORMATION TO THE RENEGADES?
YOU'RE SUCH A...!!
EVEN THOUGH I'D HAD ENOUGH OF IT, I STILL THOUGHT IT WAS A GOOD PLACE TO BE!
THANKS FOR ALL THE KIND PRAISE
IN THE END MITHOS PROMISED ME MY DUTIES AS A CHOSEN OF MANA WOULD BE RELEASED,
AND IT'S BEEN DECIDED...
...CAN A CHOSEN DO SOMETHING SO DESPICABLE?
TO SELL OUT HIS OWN COMPANIONS...?!

BECAUSE OF THAT TITLE I CAN'T LIVE AN EASY LIFE...
IT'S A SHAME...
THE FACT THAT THEY COULD TRANSFER MY CHOSEN STATUS TO SELES...
THAT'S RIGHT, DESPI-CABLE.
SORRY,
THAT'S A LIE.
THAT'S HOW IT IS.

IT'S BECAUSE I DIDN'T BELIEVE YOU, RIGHT?
DIDN'T YOU SAY YOU WERE ONE OF US?
LADY PRONYMA ♡
LET'S LEAVE THESE PEOPLE AND GET GOING ♡
AHH... MY, MY.
DON'T GET ALL HOT-HEADED OVER THIS.
UGH

YOU'RE NOT GOING ANYWHERE!
SFX: CLASH!

...ZELOS...
...YOU HAVE A DUTY AS A GUARD, RIGHT?
SINCE WE'RE GOING TO FIGHT, LET'S MEAN IT!
STOP IT, ZELOS!
I DON'T WANT TO FIGHT YOU...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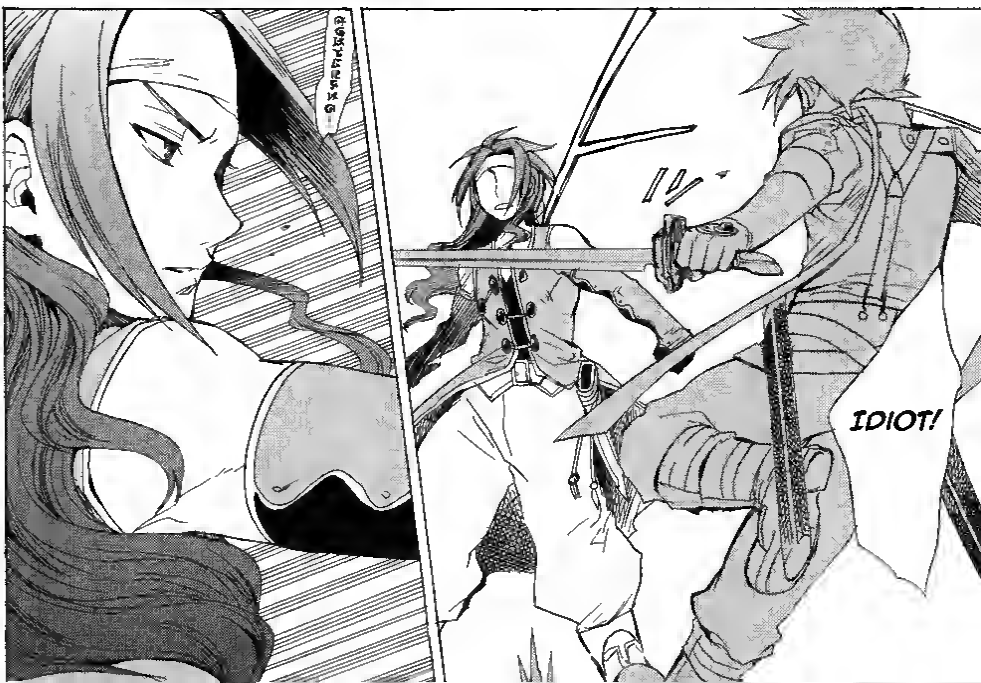
UGH...
THAT KIND OF THINK-ING...
IS NAÏVE!


GRRRR
IDIOT!

GRAVE!
ARGH-
IT'S CUT-TING...

ZE...
LOS...

SFX: FALL

UH...
SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING, LADY PRONYMA ♡
LET'S GET GOING.
WA... WAIT!

LLOYD!
THE ANGELS ARE..!!

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